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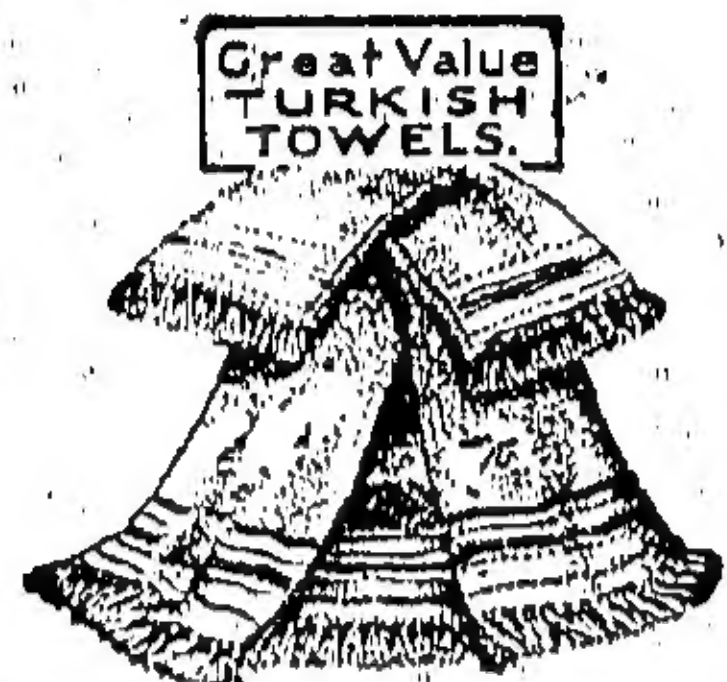
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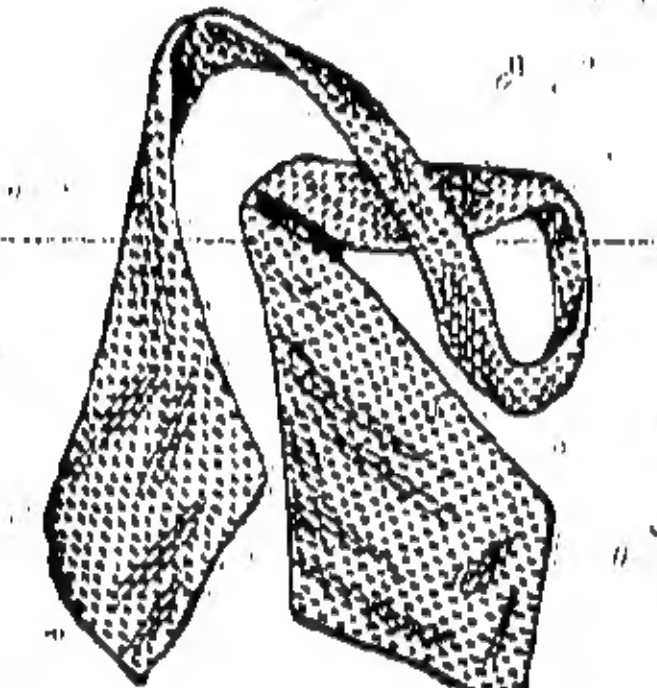
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#### RENTS RAMP.

TENANT SUGGESTS LOCAL "NATIONALISATION."

#### A PUBLIC UTILITY

Mortgagees to Blame For Increase?

An interesting suggestion, full of possibilities if practicable, is made by a tenant on the much discussed subject of rents control in the Colony.

Another correspondent alleges that blame must also be attached to those investing in loans on house property.

#### LIKE OTHER NEEDS.

Why Government Control is Necessary.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]  
Sir.—The Government exercise control over the electricity, tramway and telephone services in order that the interests of the public may be safeguarded. It is hardly necessary to state that items of expenditure incurred in connection with these public utility companies play far less important a part in the household budget than does that of rent.

If the Government considers it necessary in the best interests of the public that it should have the final say as to any increases in the price of the public services already mentioned how much more is it incumbent on them to set up machinery for safeguarding the tenant's interests in respect of one of the biggest items figuring in his budget—that of rent?

Dealing with a public utility company and with separate landlords are of course two very different things but if the principle is right in the one case then it is in the other and no consideration of the difficulties involved should influence the Government in ignoring the desirability of setting up a controlling organisation.

In June of this year a committee was appointed "to enquire into the general rise in the price of foods sold in the markets and to suggest steps which may be possible to effect a reduction of those prices." If such an organisation can be instituted in respect of food—and it is a very much more ticklish business to deal with multitudinous stallholders than with landlords—it can be instituted in respect of rents.

The very fact that in many cases tenants have been obliged through lack of suitable alternative accommodation to endeavour to meet the increases demanded by the landlords is sufficient indication that the supply of such types of houses or flats has not overtaken the demand—rebutting the statements made in Council when it was decided to drop restriction. The Government cannot wash their hands of responsibility in this manner and it is up to them to put in hand some organisation for the control of rents on a fair basis.

Yours, etc.,

A TENANT.

Hongkong, August 11.

#### A COMPOUND ISSUE.

Alleged Exploitation of Tenants.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir.—There is one aspect of the Hongkong rents scandal that has received little publicity. Will you therefore be kind enough to accord me space in your valuable columns to make it known?

Financiers who engage in mortgage on property are also to be blamed for putting rents unduly up. Does this seem strange to you, Sir? It may but the element of surprise will not be there if you have gone through what I endured. My house was mortgaged just before the strike began. Values have now fallen. When the year was over, short time ago the mortgagee foreclosed. Against that I have no complaint it being his right. Then came the natural sequence, the sale by public auction. Suffice it to say that I still owe a considerable sum to make good the deficiency because

#### EUROPEAN'S LOSS.

JEWELLERY THEFT AT THE PEAK.

#### OLD SERVANT SUSPECTED.

A Peak resident has lost a valuable diamond ring among other articles of jewellery from his residence.

The report of the loss made to the police by Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, of 304 The Peak, states that it took place between Monday and yesterday.

The missing articles comprised a white gold diamond ring set in platinum, a gold necklace with cross attached, and another gold chain with a sapphire pendant. These were taken from a jewel case in the bedroom.

Suspicion rests on a former house coolie who had been staying in the servants' quarters during the past two days and was found to have disappeared when the loss was discovered.

#### THE OTHER SIDE.

TENANT CLEARS NAME OF LANDLORD.

#### RENTS NOT RAISED.

To remove an impression that they are being exploited by their landlord—and to explain that they are still in business, a Chinese restaurant in town has inserted a notice in a vernacular paper which may be read as:—

"Our restaurant has not been closed up, nor are we shutting down because the landlord has exerted pressure."

"We are closed for two weeks for structural alterations. At the request of the P.W.D. the landlord is constructing a concrete staircase. The work will be in the way of business and our doors will again be open on completion."

The notice, as is customary, also expresses thanks to patrons and to traders who have "deeply trusted us."

This restaurant occupies three ground floors and was only started after the strike began.

#### CHINESE COMMITS SUICIDE.

A Chinese, 22 years old, died in hospital on Monday as a result of poisoning, which was believed to have been self-administered.

It now transpires that the man, a fook of a medicine shop at Shamshuipo, felt perceptibly ill at 10 a.m. on that day—one hour before his death—and admitted to his wife that he took poison in the early morning.

A fresh case of enteric fever was notified on Wednesday. The patient was a Chinese from the Shaokwan district.

the amount I borrowed equal to 8 per cent. of the value at that time.

Once that property was out of my hands, tenants received notices increasing rentals by an average, in round sums, of 56 per cent. It is only now that I have discovered the fact that the buyer at the auction was acting in the interests of the mortgagee. What assumption can a business man make? I can only conclude that to get the best out of a bad bargain rents have been raised so that the present value of the property will go up pro rata. On the basis of value in ratio to revenue the mortgagee artificially puts up the price. He then recovers his outlay. I have lost all along the line. That is only a side issue but why should tenants suffer for an error of judgment by the mortgagee and by me? This aspect of the evil of non-control needs great emphasis. Tenants are open to exploitation simply because other people have

Enclosing my card,

Yours, etc.,

C. T. S.

Hongkong, August 12.

#### AIR PERILS.

AN AMERICAN WAR HERO'S FATE.

#### JUMP FROM MACHINE.

Dayton (Ohio), August 11. Lieutenant Barksdale, who was officially credited with bringing down four German aeroplanes during the war, crashed and was killed.

Barksdale jumped clear of his machine, but the parachute did not open as it was too near the ground.

—Reuter.

#### ARMS FOR CHINA.

INTEREST OF ARMAMENT FIRMS.

#### SINISTER FACT.

London, Aug. 11.

The Rt. Hon. H. A. L. Fisher, M.P. for the English Universities, lecturing in London, and referring to the prospects of world peace, said that there were many arguments favourable to the view that the human race was too wise to commit suicide, but there was a sinister fact.

China, formerly the most peaceful community in the world, was now being supplied with arms for civil war owing to the failure—through the interest of certain armament firms—to ratify the St. Germain Treaty regulating the export of arms.

Until the Chinese situation cleared up it was impossible to be confident of any great improvement in the prospects of the world's future.—Reuter.

#### NOT SO YOUNG.

OLD MAN WHO LOOKED A BOY.

#### MAGISTRATE DECEIVED.

Looking more like a boy than an old man, a Chinese told the Magistrate this morning that the fifty cents which formed the subject of a bribery charge against him was given to an Indian constable at his own request, as he asked for something to help him have tea.

During this recital the man kept on smiling good naturedly and pressed his nose against the dock rail. This was as far as his stature would allow.

Sergeant Nolloth mentioned at this stage that the man was a licensed hawk and further that he was 54 years old.

This latter remark was not clearly heard by Major Willson, and on learning that the man was so old as that, His Worship said that he had been thinking of giving him eight strokes!

Defendant was discharged with a caution, and the money was confiscated.

The Kowloon Fire Brigade extinguished a chimney fire at Haiphong Road yesterday. Prior to the arrival of the Brigade the inmates had assisted in putting the fire out with buckets of water.

In attempting to cross the road in front of a motor car driven by Mr. Joseph Mason, of the Nava Yard Police, Kowloon, at Nathan Road near the Kowloon Motor Bus Company's depot yesterday, a Chinese was struck down by the front mudguard. He was injured in the chest, arms and leg. The motorist took the injured man to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

#### TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2/2 1/16.

#### OBITUARY.

B.Q.M.S. JACOBS OF THE R.A.

#### FUNERAL TO-DAY.

We regret to have to record the death of Battery Quarter-Master-Sergeant Jacobs, of the 38th Heavy Battery, Royal Artillery, stationed at "Stonecutter's Island."

Death took place at the Military Hospital at 8.10 p.m. yesterday after a brief but acute illness lasting six days.

Deceased leaves behind a large family with whom the greatest sympathy will be felt. Besides his wife and six children (five sons and a daughter) who are at present in Hongkong, another son is serving with the British Army stationed in German territory.

The funeral will take place at the Protestant Cemetery at Happy Valley, leaving the Medical Inspection Room, Wellington Barracks, at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

#### COLONY'S WEALTH.

FIGURES WHICH SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES.

#### SUBSTANTIAL SURELUS.

An important statement with regard to the year's working, was made by the Colonial Secretary in Council this afternoon in moving the first reading of an Ordinance to authorise the appropriation of a supplementary sum of \$832,249.52.

Certain troubles had occurred during the year, he said, and it was interesting to note that the actual figures for 1925 showed a revenue of \$23 1/4 millions and an expenditure of \$23 1/4 millions, a deficit of only \$5,022,052.

Thus, in spite of the boycott the revenue had exceeded the estimate by \$1,427,365, only just less than a million dollars below the record year of 1924, and well above that of 1921 and 1922.

The expenditure was of necessity to some extent curtailed and in spite of unexpected calls on the revenue of the Colony the expenditure was kept below the estimate by over two million dollars.

It would thus be seen that the year closed with a very substantial surplus of assets over liabilities of the sum of \$3,113,482, a figure which within the last ten years had only been exceeded on three occasions.

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#### BLOW COMING?

TYPHOON FORMING ABOUT 1,000 MILES AWAY.

#### LATEST FORECAST.

Indications are that a typhoon may come this way again, but not for a few days at least.

The last position given was "within 120 miles of Lat. 15 N., Long. 132 E." which is further away than Luzon, or approximately a thousand miles from Hongkong.

But the direction, West-North-West, lies towards this part of the south China coast.

Then again, the Observatory, at 10.40 a.m. to-day, stated:—

A trough of low pressure extends from the middle of the China Sea to far east of Luzon. A typhoon may be forming in its eastern extremity.

The locality referred to corresponds with that of the report quoted above.

The weather report also states:—

Pressure has decreased moderately over central China and slightly at the majority of other stations. It is low over N.E. China and high over the Bonins.

Till noon to-morrow the official weather forecast is:—Light east or variable winds; fine.

#### AMBULANCE PROMOTIONS.

Section Commander J. Ralston, of the Kowloon Division, St. John Ambulance Brigade, has been appointed to the rank of Corps Superintendent. Sergeant E. Savage has been promoted Section Commander.

#### PRINCE OF SIAM.

HERE ON EDUCATIONAL TOUR.

#### LEAVES FOR MANILA.

Report to King On Systems Obtaining.

Passing through Hongkong on the way to Manila and the Philippines and later to Japan is a distinguished visitor in the person of Prince Dahn, of Siam.

Prince Dahn, who is accompanied by his sister, Princess Sibpan, is engaged on a special mission from the King of Siam to report on the educational systems obtaining in the places he visits. The tour will be of several months' duration.

Chatting with a "China Mail" representative this morning, Prince Dahn, who talks excellent English (he was educated at Oxford), said that since education was made compulsory in Siam some seven years ago considerable progress has been made in the establishing of elementary and secondary schools in Siam. The newly founded University at Bangkok was progressing—it has at present three faculties, those of medicine, engineering and politics.

#### Elementary Education.

It was chiefly with regard to elementary education that the King, together with the Government, was most anxious that progress should be made. Added to the Prince, and his observations during his tour would be chiefly confined to this. He had hoped, however, that during his stay here he would have the opportunity of visiting the University and schools whilst in session. This had been impossible but he had spoken to H.E. the Governor, also the Vice-Chancellor of the University and the Director of Education who had been of considerable assistance to him.

The King of Siam, said Prince Dahn, was anxious to incorporate into the educational system of Siam methods which had been tried with success elsewhere and it was as a result that the present tour had been undertaken. Siam had its Department of Education and a special Minister for Education and any proposals which might arise out of the report would be submitted to them. Much had already been done in regard to higher education as the result of measures introduced based on the experience of students from Siam who had been educated in Britain, America, Germany, France and Japan.

#### The Cholera Outbreak.

The Prince also made a passing reference to the cholera outbreak at Bangkok which had received a great deal of publicity. Reports had, he thought, been rather exaggerated; the outbreak was not much worse than had been experienced on many occasions before, although Siam had enjoyed immunity from it for some considerable time, largely, he thought, owing to the better water supply which was made possible as a result of laying pipes containing distilled water.

The Prince also spoke of the resentment felt at measures introduced at Kedah whereby \$50 had to be deposited by passers through as a result of the cholera outbreak at Bangkok. This had led to considerable inconvenience as travellers to

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#### HIGHWAY ROBBERY.

HOLD UP AT WANCHAI GAP ROAD.

#### GIRL'S BANGLES STOLEN.

A Chinese girl, 13 years old, living at 112, Old Main Street, Aberdeen, was the victim of a highway robbery at 8 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The girl was walking along Wanchai Gap Road in the direction of Aberdeen with a bundle of wood on her shoulder when she met two men about a quarter mile from the Aberdeen main road. She was seized and robbed of a pair of gold-mounted rattan bangles.

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**SHANGHAI MARKET  
REPORT.**

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while a good deal of this contracting is likely to prove remunerative, it cannot be said that this will be so in every case. Clearances have been fair. Cloth has not participated in the activity attendant upon yarn, and there is comparatively little doing. Spot quotations for yarn are as follows:—10's 122 136; 12's 130 142; 16's 136 145; 20's 148 159. On the Chinese Cotton Goods Exchange yesterday morning the total dealt in amounted to 7,500 bales, the morning's closing rates for 16's being as follows:—August 142.20; September 143.60; October 145; November 145.30; December 145.80; January 146.

American Cotton.—American cotton is about 70 points down on the week. On Tuesday the next Government report on condition and estimate of the crop should be received here, and it is awaited with great interest. New York quotations:—October 17.28; December 17.21; January 17.26; March 17.44; May 17.59; spot 18.75; highest October 17.42; lowest October 17.17. Liverpool quotations:—October 17.1; January 9.1; spot 9. Compared with the previous day Liverpool is from 16 to 20 points lower. Egyptian Cotton.—On the week Egyptian cotton is about 50 points lower. Quotations:—Sakellariadis, spot, 55.50. Alexandria quotations:—Sakellariadis, November, 29.38; January 29.08. Alexandria quotations are about 20 points down.

Inghan Cotton.—F. G. Bengal December January 266; Fine Oomra December January 315; F. G. Brouch July August 246. Sampling:—Thursday afternoon's closing:—August 256; September 256.50; October 254.90; November 254.50; December 253.90; January 254; February 254.90. Yesterday morning's closing:—August 256; September 256.50; October 254.90; November 254.10; December 253.90; January 254.90; February 253.90.

In their weekly report on the cotton market Messrs. J. Spunt & Co. state:—  
China Cotton.—Since the issue of our last report, we have experienced a succession of firm markets; prices on the whole ruled about half a tael higher than that prevailing during the previous period. The principal factor contributive to the strengthening of the local markets was the continued drought in many important sections of the cotton belt, though little complaint of damage has been thus far received. It is generally believed that the crop is now two to three weeks later than normal.

As to the future trend of the market, such will depend almost entirely on new crop advices; however, in the event of continuance of the very dry atmospheric conditions now being experienced, some further advance in the rates would seem probable, but with a period of rainy weather intervening, the situation would change quickly. Yarn.—During the past week there has been no change in the fundamental conditions of the yarn market. Fluctuations were within narrow limits, but with a firm tendency at the close of the week. In all some 7,000 to 8,000 bales of legal spinnings have been booked for export and about 6,000 bales direct booking with the mills has been recorded.

Silk.—The quiet which was previously in evidence in the silk market was broken at the end of last week by American purchases. These included 500 bales of middle class steam flatures on behalf of a very well-known firm at prices from Tls. 1,050 to Tls. 1,060.

European agents have made purchases of some high grade steam flatures at Tls. 1,175 for Grand Double Extra and Tls. 1,165 for Double Extra, while also there have been a few purchases of Extra "B" and Extra "C" at slightly firmer prices. These transactions are probably for Lyons.

As regards Taities there is news of firmer markets in the interior, and accordingly better prices have ruled, a few lots changing hands at a rise of about Tls. 10 over last week's prices. At the moment there is little inquiry, as with the improvement in the French franc local holders expect to see firmer prices in the European market.

As regards Canton silk the market firmed up at the beginning of the week on buying by New York, and prices rose about 5 per cent. The market closes quiet but steady.

Hankow Tea.—Two chops have been settled in Hankow at prices which show a decline of from Tls. 3 to Tls. 5.

There is nothing doing in Shanghai except for a few Keemun and Ningchow fannings.

Country greens remain a very quiet market. Two or three chops of fine Chunnies have been settled at a decline of Tls. 3 to Tls. 5, and a few Fychow Gunpowders at Tls. 69/80.

Sowmees are unchanged and business is small. County Chops.—Some 6,000 h/c have been settled to date. Stock is 4,000 h/c. Pingueys.—There is still a

**POSTAL STRIKE.**

HOW CANTON G.P.O. MEN RETURNED.

MAILS UP-COUNTRY.

Canton, Aug. 10. In compliance with the order of the Canton Government, the postal workers temporarily resumed work on Monday. At 6 a.m. the lower clerks of the post office, the sorters and the postmen returned to the General Post Office and its branches respectively to resume work. "Simultaneously," the Postal authorities also despatched the higher clerks to resume their duties. All letters and mails, which had been taken to Shamen during the strike were taken back to the Post office.

It is reported that postal workers in Fatsan, Kengmoon, Swatow and districts along the West River also resumed work at the same time. At present, postal services throughout the province have been resumed as usual temporarily pending a settlement in the future.

**CIVIL SERVICE.**

CANTON SYSTEM FOR TRAINING.

Canton, Aug. 10. The Civil Service Training Institute, under the Department of Civil Administration, which was established last year to train suitable candidates for official posts, has been conducting two classes divided into first and second terms. Over 40 students graduated on the completion of the first term recently. Tse Ying-chow, the Dean of the Institute, has reported their names to the Department of Civil Administration, for official appointments.

Graduate Wong Chak has been recommended for the post of district magistrate at Yung Yuen while graduate He Ping-ham is to be district magistrate of Hot Kin. The other graduates will be assigned to suitable appointments in the near future.

**MRS. A. S. McPHERSON**

JURY FAILS TO BELIEVE STORY.

CASE NOW CLOSED.

Los Angeles, Cal., August 3.—Sufficient evidence has not yet been found to warrant an indictment in the alleged kidnapping of Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson, the evangelist, the grand jury reported to Judge Keetch. The report is interpreted as a failure to substantiate the story told by the evangelist about being kidnapped by two men and a woman and taken to Mexico where she was held for ransom.

The foreman of the grand jury stated that the case was closed so far as the jury was concerned, but if Mrs. McPherson cares to continue her effort to substantiate her story the jury will receive additional testimony.

Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson disappeared on May 18 from Ocean Park beach near Los Angeles, where she had been swimming. She told a story of entering an automobile with two men and a woman, after the woman had asked her to go to the bedside of her baby and pray for the infant which was dying.

She related that the alleged kidnappers drove into Mexico where they held her for ransom. Mrs. McPherson was found in an exhausted condition in a hospital at Douglas, Arizona on June 23. Angelus Temple where Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson conducts services twice a day issued a statement regarding the action of the grand jury in dismissing the investigation into her alleged kidnapping. The statement was as follows:—

"The vindication of Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson who has withstood a terrific attack of character assassination has come at last."

strong demand for Pingueys to replace those burnt in the recent fire, but it seems impossible to force the price any higher.

Russians continue to buy Hyson and small quantities of Chunnies.

Oil seeds are neglected and home buyers are refusing to consider proposals from here.

Wood oil is stronger in America and very firm on the China market. Small purchases are reported of egg products on American account at firm prices.

There is rather more inquiry for sheep's wool from America but business is limited. Otherwise there is nothing to report.

**NEW ADMIRAL.**

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DISTINGUISHED SERVICES.

Congratulations will be extended to Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, C.B., R.N., in his promotion to the rank of Rear-Admiral, official news of which was received in Hongkong yesterday.

It is anticipated that the new Admiral will continue to serve at Hongkong until due for relief in December of this year.

Admiral Stirling, who entered the Navy in 1889 and joined H.M.S. "Nile" on the Mediterranean Station as a Naval Cadet in June 1891, first served on the China Station 1899 when as Lieutenant in H.M.S. "Barfleur" he took part in the Boxer troubles. He was wounded in the leg during these operations and invalided home.

Subsequently, he returned to active operations as Commander and later Captain, serving throughout the war in destroyer flotillas in command of H.M. ships "Stark" and "Faulknor" and "Saumarez." For his services at the battle of Jutland when, as commander of the 12th destroyer flotilla, he inflicted considerable damage and sank the German battleship "Pommern," also for his other war services, he was made a Companion of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Military Division, and decorated with the French Legion of Honour and Russian Order of St. Anne with swords.

At the conclusion of the War, Admiral Stirling served as Chief of Staff to the Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth and later commanded the large aircraft carrier "Argus." He came to Hongkong after commanding the Atlantic Fleet Destroyer base at Port Edgar in Scotland.

The new Admiral, who during his term as Commodore here has taken a large part in the social life of the Colony, is the son of Col. J. S. Stirling, of Garganook, Strathgairn. He was educated at the Royal Naval School, Newcross.

**AT THE QUEEN'S.**

"MANHANDLED" TO-DAY  
TILL SATURDAY.

After a long absence from local screens Gloria Swanson will make her re-appearance at the Queen's Theatre from to-day to Saturday in "Manhandled."

The film, which was adapted by Frank Tuttle from the Saturday Evening Post story by Arthur Stringer, gives Miss Swanson a wide range of possibilities. She plays the part of a shop girl, who starts life in a New York store. Money, beautiful clothes, good times have the same appeal to her as they have for the average girl, who has never had them. She has youth and beauty—is clever and attractive, and naturally there are men, who are willing enough to help her to lead the kind of life she thinks she wants. She is caught up in a wild whirl of gaiety—at a breakneck pursuit of pleasure in the most Bohemian set in the metropolis, only to realise in the end that her free and easy contact with so many men has depreciated her value in the eyes of the man who really loves her.

The picture was directed by Allan Dwan, who has surrounded Miss Swanson with an excellent cast, headed by Tom Moore. He gives one of the greatest performances as the hard-working mechanic, whose honest love wins Gloria in the end.

**AT THE STAR.**

"MEDDLING WOMEN" AND  
"THREE AGES."

"Meddling Women" features Lionel Barrymore and Sigrid Holmquist in a drama which has as its theme, Revenge is Sweet.

Madeline, the cabaret dancer, puts a modern touch to her revenge by shooting her erstwhile lover at an ultra-smart society wedding. Madeline is of Latin stock and comes from a country where women die for the men they love. Madeline, although the murderer of her lover, after the deed feels elevated to a spirit of martyrdom for having punished the lover who had deserted her.

"Three Ages" gives Buster Keaton some of his best opportunities, in a throw back to ancient days. His methods were apparently as successful when he wielded a stone axe against the brontosaurus in the modern era, dodging motor cars and electric shocks. This is an extremely welcome return booking.

Both pictures will be shown from to-day till Saturday.

**A \$100 TREAT.**

TROUBLES OF A RATTAN WORKER.

NO MONEY TO PAY.

A rattan worker of an enjoyable frame of mind but with no money in his pocket found himself in trouble at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday when he was brought to answer two charges of defrauding the proprietors of a restaurant and a garage.

The man took a number of his friends for a joy-ride in the New Territories on July 25 and signed a chit for \$50 for the hire of two cars which carried the party. The enjoyment was continued at a restaurant where the party assembled for dinner. Here again he volunteered to sign a chit, but the proprietor was not agreeable and called in the police.

In a statement the defendant admitted the restaurant bill, but denied responsibility for the hiring of the cars. He was a guest at the first part of the celebrations, but was the host at the dinner. His Worship sentenced the defendant to three months' hard labour on the charge of defrauding the restaurant, the other charge being dropped.

**MR. COX CHARGED.**

LATE DEFENDANT OFF TO AMERICA.

DROPPED IN U.S. COURT.

The charges of embezzlement against C. R. Cox, preferred by stockholders of the Yangtze Rapids Steamship Co., were dropped in the U.S. Court for China on July 4, when Mr. L. G. Husar, District Attorney, moved to have them stricken from the records. Judge Purdy granted the motion. It will be recalled that Mr. Cox was arrested on a warrant sworn to by Capt. W. I. Eisler, who alleged that \$500 had been taken, and was later re-arrested on information filed by Mr. R. B. Mauchan, which alleged that a shortage of \$25,000 existed. Mr. W. S. Fleming represented Mr. Cox.

After the first warrant was issued, it will be recalled that Mr. Husar went to Ichang, the head office of the company, and brought back two boxes of books. Mr. Cox in the meanwhile, came to Shanghai and registered at the Astor House Hotel, where he was arrested and released on bail. When the books were returned to Shanghai, a thorough examination was made, with the result that the case was dismissed.

Mr. Fleming announced that his client was a victim of circumstances and misinformation, but now that he had demonstrated his innocence, had left for America, where he will spend three months on holiday, to return to China in November.

**ARMS CONFERENCE.**

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE GIVES HIS VIEWS.

New York, August 4.—President Coolidge's spokesman in a Press interview stated that the President disapproves of holding another arms conference and believes everything possible should be done by the United States to secure success for the League of Nations arms conference in 1927.

The President, it is said, is not pessimistic regarding the outcome of the conference at Geneva and feels that progress has been made despite divergence of the Franco-Spanish and Anglo-American viewpoints.

He says that the United States clings to its original thesis that limitation must be on a basis of physical equipment such as men, guns and ships, and believes the French proposal that industrial limitation must be included, is impracticable.

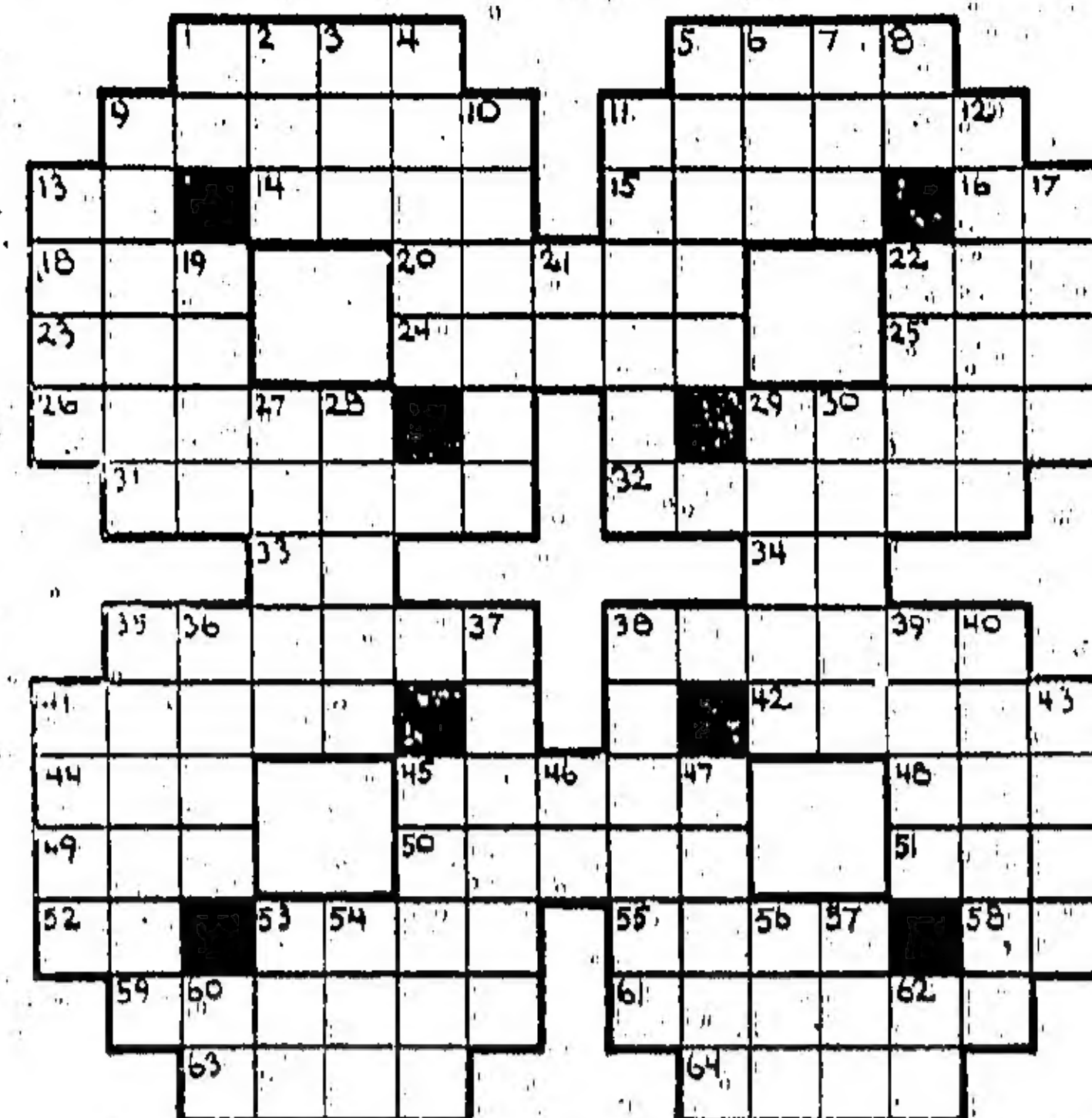
The President is passing a pleasant summer confident that prosperity of the nation will continue. He is not worried by the domestic political situation. He will spend the balance of August in the Adirondacks where he will work daily in conducting his official duties.

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**OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.**

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, ploie, and altho.)



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<b>HORIZONTAL</b>	<b>HORIZONTAL (Cont.)</b>	<b>VERTICAL (Cont.)</b>
1-A plant	41-A nagging woman	12-A knave
2-A vehicle (pl.)	42-Attempt	13-Acquire
3-Incline to one side	43-Hater	14-Part of face
4-Trade	44-Newly married woman	15-Dry up
5-State of U. S. (abbr.)	45-Piece out	16-Maiden changed by Juno into a heifer
6-Spring	46-Paruvian plant	17-A continent
7-Used for propelling boats	47-Invited	18-River in N. France
8-Division of an army (abbr.)	48-Equip	19-Pointed missile
9-A reply (abbr.)	49-The (Spanish)	20-Admiral
10-Tadpole appendages	50-Boat	21-Shallow places in a stream
11-A tree	51-Fiber	22-Basic principal of chewing-gum
12-Suffix. Of the nature of	52-Worthless (slang, abbr.)	23-An open space
13-Ecological vestment	53-Come forth	24-Streak
14-The sum of universal knowledge (abbr.)	54-Muscular	25-Designs
15-Girl's name	55-State of disorder	26-River in Belgium
16-Pertaining to	56-Plant	27-Sleeping together
17-Alius	<b>VERTICAL</b>	28-Foot covering
18-Almost	1-Musical note	29-Kind of ship (pl.)
19-Pertaining to a radius	2-Mistake	30-Profess. Form of in
20-A common carrier (abbr.)	3-Brazilian coin	31-Conducts, as a periodical
21-Preparation	4-Bird homes	32-Perceive
22-Light boat (pl.)	5-Deal	33-Period of time (pl., abbr.)
23-One who suffers for a cause	6-Swiss river	34-Part of verb "to be"
	7-Large wooden containers (abbr.)	35-Fish eggs
	8-Point of compass (abbr.)	36-Millimeter (abbr.)
	9-A seaport of China	37-No date (abbr.)
	10-Nicely	
	11-Monetary unit of U. S. and Canada	

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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F	I	E	B	O	T	C	H	I	S
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MONTEVIDEO MARU ..... Friday 3rd September.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.

HAMBURG MARU ..... Thursday, 19th August.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

SANKU MARU ..... Wednesday, 26th August.

BANGKOK—Via Saigon.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA &amp; VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai and Japan.

AFRICA MARU (From Shanghai) Wednesday 18th August.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR &amp; MOMBASA—Via Singapore &amp; Colombo.

MEXICO MARU ..... Thursday, 12th August.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.

ARGON MARU ..... (From Keelung) End of September.

JAPAN PORTS

SUMATRA MARU ..... Friday, 13th August.

ALASKA MARU ..... Thursday, 19th August.

BINGO MARU ..... Tuesday, 24th August.

KEELUNG via SWATOW &amp; AMOY.

HOZAN MARU ..... Sunday, 15th August Noon.

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KOHOKU MARU ..... Saturday, 14th August.

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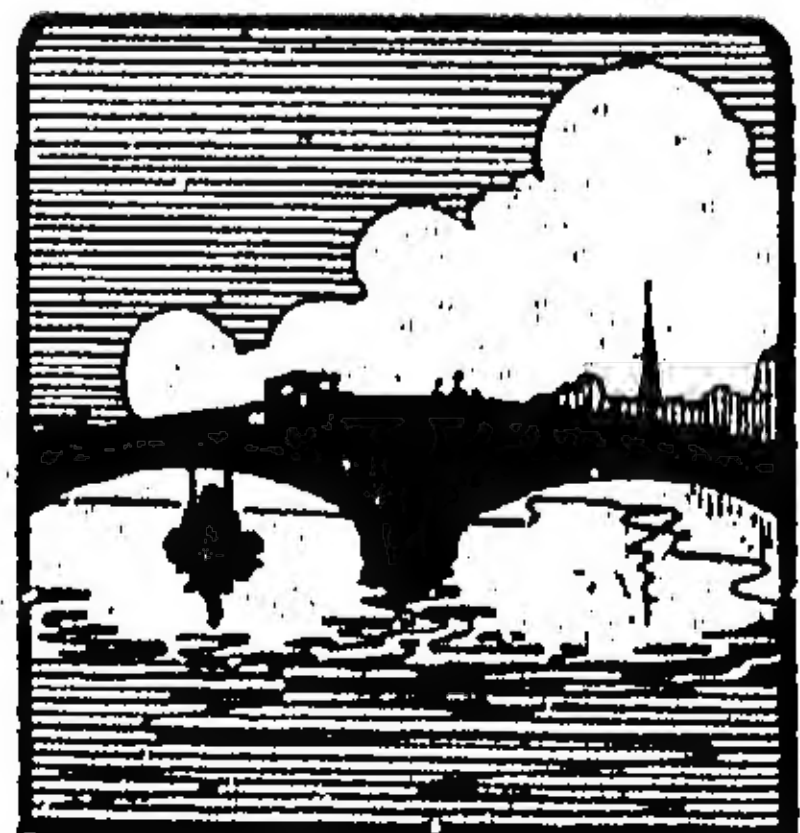
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## PICKET OUTRAGE.

OPEN FIRE ON HONGKONG JUNK.

SEIZED LICENCE.

How Canton "strike" pickets approached British waters and committed an outrage is briefly described in a report to the authorities here.

A cargo junk left Hongkong for Deep Bay, in the New Territories, beyond which is Chinese territory.

Pickets in a junk, from Chek Wan (the bay just beyond), came up and opened fire on the boat. An order to stop was complied with.

The strikers then boarded the Hongkong junk and took away her licence. The boat was in ballast, so there was no cargo. The crew were not interfered with.

## ARRIVALS.

MAIL AND CARGO FOR HONGKONG.

SHIPS IN PORT.

The s.s. Linna of the China Navigation Co., arrived in port yesterday morning from Shanghai via Tsingtao, with 1,100 tons of general cargo from Shanghai, and about 100 tons from Tsingtao. She is scheduled to leave for Shanghai to-morrow at 5 p.m.

The s.s. President McKinley arrived in port yesterday at 5.30 p.m., nine hours behind her scheduled time. The low tide at the Yangtze River delayed her departure from Shanghai. She has 1,500 tons of general cargo for Hongkong and 19 cabin passengers for Hongkong.

The s.s. Changte of Messrs. Butterfield &amp; Swire, arrived in port at 2.40 p.m. yesterday from Australia and Manila. She is taking passengers and general cargo for Hongkong and 74 bags of mail. She will sail for her return voyage on August 18.

The s.s. Mexico Maru, of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha line, arrived in port yesterday afternoon with 300 tons of general cargo from Kobe and Moji—mostly consisting of cotton goods. She will sail for Singapore to-day at 5.00 p.m.

## LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND CLEARANCES.

## THE MORNING LIST.

This morning, the following sea-going arrivals at Hongkong were reported:-

Autolycus (4859) Br. from Taku Bar, Shanghai; B. &amp; S. Changte (2579) Br. from Melbourne, Manila; B. &amp; S. Telemachus (1340) Br. from Saigon; Wo Fat Sing. Kueichow (1220) Br. from Tientsin, Weihaiwei; B. &amp; S. Venezia (4877) Ital. from Yokohama; Shanghai; Dodwell. Pdt. McKinley (8400) Am. from Seattle, Shanghai; Dollar Line. Hozan Maru (1383) Jap. from Keelung, Swatow; O.S.K. Mexico Maru (3557) Jap. from Yokohama; Moji; O.S.K. Departures.

For Shanghai: Yatshing, Changte.  
For Bangkok: Kweiyang.  
For Manila: Empress of Asia.  
For Swatow: Kotsu Maru, Van Overstraten.For Kwong-chow-wan: Hanoi.  
For Singapore: Venezia.  
For Haiphong: Borneo. Clearances.For Muntok: Tjisondari.  
For Hoihow: Tean.

## SHIPS IN PORT.

At 9 a.m. to-day the following numbers of vessels were in port:-

British	22
American	1
Panama	1
German	1
Japanese	3
Chinese	10
Dutch	5
French	1
Portuguese	2
Total	46

## KWANGTUNG RIVERS.

Waterlevels (In English Feet) at 8 a.m.

	Aug. 9	Aug. 10.
West River at Shuhing	+ 23.9	+ 18.9
North River at Tsingyuen	+ 7.0	+ 6.9
North River at Samahul	+ 12.0	+ 11.0
East River at Sheklung	+ 4.2	+ 4.2

## THE MARIE CELESTE.

A MYSTERY OF FIFTY YEARS.

A CONCOCTION FROM BEGINNING.

The July number of "Chambers's Journal" contains, under the signature of "Lee Kaye," what is offered as "the true story of the brig Marie Celeste, and an exact and complete explanation of the mystery which has hung round her name." The case of the Marie Celeste is one of the most famous of sea mysteries, and hitherto no satisfactory solution had been found. All accounts of the story state that the Marie Celeste was sighted in the Atlantic on December 7, 1872, under a full spread of canvas, and was found to have no life on board, although none of her boats had been launched, and she had many signs of very recent occupation, such as cups of tea, still lukewarm, poured out, and ready for consumption. The present solution of the affair is given on the authority of Mr. John Pemberton, who was cook upon the ship, and who survives at the age of seventy-seven.

It is explained that the Marie Celeste sailed from New York for Genoa with a cargo of railway timber and whale oil, another vessel, the Dei Gratia, being chartered to carry a surplus of oil which the Marie Celeste could not carry. The Dei Gratia also lent three of her men to complete the crew of the Marie Celeste, which carried ten souls in all, including the captain's wife. During the voyage the captain's wife met with a fatal accident, and the captain went out of his mind and disappeared—believed to have jumped overboard. Considerable drunkenness followed, and in a quarrel one man was pushed overboard and drowned. When close off San Martin, the mate and two others went ashore in a bum-boat, and, being in a state of drunkenness, did not return. That left four on board—the cook and the three men belonging to the Dei Gratia.

The party decided to cruise along towards Gibraltar in the hope of intercepting the latter vessel, and on the morning of December 7 she was sighted. It was the captain of the Dei Gratia who reported "finding" the Marie Celeste as a "derelict"—the motive being easily supplied by her value as salvage. The mystery of the "abandoned" ship, therefore, was a concoction from the beginning.

In addition to Mr. Pemberton, it is believed that another member of the crew of the Marie Celeste, Mr. Jock Dogsell, may also be alive.

## PANAMA CANAL.

OFFICIAL WARNING ISSUED TO STEAMSHIP OWNERS.

SHIPS A MENACE.

Steamship owners and agents on the Pacific Coast have received a communication from Mr. John Downa, marine superintendent of the department of operation and maintenance of the Panama Canal Zone, pointing out certain problems and conditions at the Canal. A copy of the communication is as follows:

"1. There is a growing custom of certain ships bound through the Canal from the West Coast to carry large deckloads of lumber which, in some cases, prevent the safe handling of the ship in the locks. In this connection, your attention is called to Rules 3, 3.1, and 3.2 of the rules and regulations governing navigation of the Panama Canal.

"2. Waist chocks and bits are frequently either entirely covered or so little space left around them that there is not sufficient room for the Canal seamen to have easy access in hauling in and letting go the lines. Frequently ships will have the waist bits entirely covered with lumber with a wire pennant and shackle led out through the chock. There are several serious faults in this. The most important fault is that the Canal seamen have no fair room in securing and letting go the eye of the towing wire in the shackle. Owing to the heavy strain which comes on these towing wires, the shackle is sometimes sprung, making it extremely difficult to remove the pin, also the sharp nip of the shackle on the eye of the towing wire either strands the wire or parts it entirely. It is an important matter that when a ship enters a lock the towing wires may be put aboard and secured quickly and it is also equally important that after a ship leaves a lock, the lines may be all cast off promptly on signal. If, after the signal to cast off lines is given, the ship starts ahead and there is any difficulty or delay in casting off one line, serious consequences might follow.

"3. The reason for the necessity of leaving space about the bits is that Canal deckhands must have room in which to work hauling in the towing wire, the weight of which, varying directly with the length to be hauled in, is sometimes sufficient to tax the strength of the two men. In leaving a well around the bits, it is essential that it be not decked over and that every effort be made to improve the visibility between the bridge and the bits.

Unstable Ships.  
"4. Owing to the large amount of deckload sometimes carried, a vessel arriving off the terminal port for transit has consumed sufficient fuel to leave the ship in an unstable condition with a list. Vessels in such a tender condition with a list constitute not only a menace to themselves, but to the Canal as well, for if they should suddenly list from one side to the other while the towing wires are on the vessel in the locks, serious consequences might result. Vessels will not be permitted to transit the Canal until they have been brought to an even keel.

"5. Hereafter, vessels arriving at a terminal port of the Panama Canal for transit must comply with the above requirements before they will be permitted to transit the Canal."

Singapore, August 2.—The small coasting steamer Rengam arrived at Singapore yesterday towed by the Straits Steamship vessel Kelantan. The Rengam lost her propeller near Tanjong Toho on July 24 and was towed to Muar by the Ban Watt Soon, and thence to Singapore by the Kelantan. The necessary repairs will be effected here.

The well known P. and O. liner Dongola has been sold to the ship-breaking firm of Messrs. T. W. Ward, Ltd. It is understood that the purchase price was in the neighbourhood of \$15,000, south considering the fittings of the ship and the construction which the P. and O. Company were accustomed to insist upon, her purchasers appear to have got a very good bargain.

## JAPANESE STEAMER FIRED ON.

Tokyo, August 6.—According to a communiqué issued by the Naval Department, the Nishin Kisen Kaisha s.s. "Unyo Maru" was furiously fired upon by Chinese troops at Wanhhsien, Fengtu, and Peichow in the upper reaches of the Yangtze River on her way to Chungching, where she arrived on the evening of August 3. The firing between Fengtu and Peichow lasted more than an hour. One Chinese sailor was seriously wounded, and damage inflicted on the hull of the steamer, which was bespattered with bullet marks.

Seattle, July 31.—The "Yonan Maru," a Japanese vessel, signalled for aid to-day, saying that she had broken both of her propellers. The ship failed to give her exact position but it is believed that she is about 1,500 miles off the Canadian coast.

London, July 22.—The Port of London Authority has awarded Sir Robert McAlpine &amp; Sons, Ltd., the contract to improve Tilbury Docks, so as to accommodate the largest vessels afloat, at a cost of \$2,750,000. It is expected that it will take nearly five years to complete this part of the large scheme of improvement, the total cost of which is estimated at \$4,000,000.

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Empress of Canada	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	Sept. 8	Sept. 11	Sept. 20	
Empress of Russia	Sept. 16	Sept. 19	Sept. 22	Sept. 25	Oct. 4	
Empress of Asia	Oct. 14	Oct. 17	Oct. 20	Oct. 23	Nov. 1	
Empress of Canada	Oct. 20	Oct. 31	Nov. 3	Nov. 6	Nov. 15	
Empress of Russia	Nov. 11	Nov. 14	Nov. 17	Nov. 20	Nov. 29	

(E/Asia and E/Russia call at Nagasaki the day after departure from Shanghai).

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#### K.P.M.'S HOPEFUL PROSPECT.

Two of the leading Dutch steamship companies whose headquarters are in Amsterdam have recently issued their annual reports, and these serve to throw into sharp contrast the varied conditions under which trade is carried on in different parts of the Eastern hemisphere. That of the Koninklijke Paketvaart Maatschappij, all of whose services are in connection with the East Indies, Straits Settlements, and Australia, is as satisfactory a document from every viewpoint as the report of the Java-China-Japan Line is depressing and pessimistic.

The directors of the K.P.M. state that the good prices obtainable for East Indian produce, particularly rubber last year, led to an increase in the volume of freight for private account. Passenger traffic was also brisk, notably as regards deck passengers, on account of the big demand for labour on the outposts. Full employment could be found for the fleet practically throughout the year, and in the last few months the partial failure of the Java rice crop resulted in the substantial offers of foreign rice for carriage.

Transit traffic improved considerably, the volume of cargo carried under contract with the Government having increased, but the income from this source remained practically unaltered. The number of Government passengers carried decreased, and freight income from the carriage of Government coal also declined, partly through lower rates and partly through the smaller volume of business. The company's two contracts for the carriage of salt and coal on Government account were extended until the end of 1930.

A regular monthly service was maintained throughout the year on the Java-Australia line, and two extra trips were made to carry Australian horses for the Netherlands Indian army. In both directions the volume of cargo and the number of passengers carried increased.

#### The Far East Service.

The great unrest in China inevitably had a bad influence on the trade of the Deli-Straits-China Line, on which only 24 round trips were made, as during the strike at Hongkong sailings had to be suspended for a few weeks. On the Deli-Rangoon line two sailings per month were maintained, and trade showed some improvement.

On the Java-Bangkok route regular monthly sailings were carried on, and from September two sailings per month were maintained on the Java-Siam line, the number of trips made being 16, as in 1924, but considerably more cargo was carried.

The accounts show that the gross profit on voyages amounted to 11,682,779 fl. (compared with 9,048,036 fl. in 1924), the total gross profit being 12,312,263 fl. against 9,660,867 fl. Out of this latter total 3,927,700 fl. has been set aside for depreciation of the fleet, 1,679,071 fl. for depreciation of sites in India, 225,000 fl. for taxes in the Netherlands, 181,818 fl. for reserve fund, 573,741 fl. for insurance fund, and 174,492 fl. for repair fund, leaving a net profit of 5,436,368 fl. against 4,224,242 fl. a year ago.

The directors propose the distribution of a dividend of 12 per cent. (compared with 10 per cent. a year ago) on the ordinary shares and payment of 409.10 fl. on founders' shares.

**Ambitious Building Programme.**  
Dealing with their shipbuilding programme, the directors of the K.P.M. state that of the ten vessels ordered from Dutch builders and referred to in the previous annual report, the steamers Rengat, Retch, Merak, Roesboom and Van Goens have been delivered, whilst the Speelman, Duyman van Twist and Van Diemen are nearing completion, and the motor-ships Van Heutz and Cremer are expected to be ready towards the end of this year.

At the same time, arrangements are being made for further additions to the fleet, and contracts have been signed for the construction of a large passenger liner to be run in conjunction with the Plancius in the Java-Singapore-Deli express service, five intermediate liners, which are to be named Patras, Thedens, Valentijn, Van Outhoorn and Pahud, and three cargo steamers: Kidool, Sinabang and Sibaret, all of which are to be built by Dutch yards.

In all, the K.M.P. have 14 ships on the stocks or on order in Holland whilst in the East Indies they have building a stern-wheel steamer Tobo, which will be used for river services on the east coast of Sumatra. Their old Van Outhoorn, which was built in 1896, has been disposed of at a price in excess of the book value.

#### A Sharp Contrast.

In contrast to this very satisfactory position of affairs is the report of the directors of the Java-China-Japan Line, in which it is stated that political and military operations in China have proved very depressing to trade. In addition, sugar freight rates to Japan have been and still are at an unremunerative level, as the importation is in the hands of a few powerful concerns which can demand and enforce their own terms so long as the present abundance of tonnage continues.

On the other hand, return cargo from Japan last year increased to some extent, but passenger traffic continued to decline.

The profit on voyage accounts is returned at 1,483,215 fl. (as compared with 1,312,162 fl. in 1924), but the total profit, including balance brought forward and profit on insurance accounts, is only 1,807,609 fl. against over 2½ millions the year before. After making provision for interest and depreciation, there remains a balance of 9,660 fl., which has been carried forward to the current account, no dividend being paid.

Canton (i.e., the Superintendent of Customs and the representative of the Consular Body) has declared Shanghai to be infected with cholera. Vessels arriving either at Whampoa or Canton will be subject to the usual sanitary regulations, with modifications.

The Panama Canal Company has given notice that it has discontinued salvage operations in other than canal zone waters. The only exception will be where great emergency exists. Probably private enterprise will provide what the Canal Company now relinquishes, but, according to a New York contemporary, the Panama Canal will continue to dispatch towboats for the purpose of bringing disabled vessels into port, provided such vessels are not disabled at a greater distance than 1,000 miles from the Atlantic or Pacific terminals of the Canal.

## PASSENGER LIST.

### ARRIVALS.

List of passengers arrived by the s.s. "President McKinley" from Seattle via Ports, on August 11:—  
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List of passengers departed by the s.s. "Empress of Asia" for Manila, on August 11:—  
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The B. I. s.s. "Talma" will leave Amoy for this port to-day at p.m. and is due here to-morrow at p.m.  
The B. I. s.s. "Takada" left Singapore for this port on August 9 at p.m. and is due here on August 15 at a.m.

The B. I. s.s. "Benrackle" from Leith, Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits is due to arrive here on August 16.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" left Vancouver for Hongkong via Japan Ports and Shanghai, on August 5 and is due here on August 23.

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BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO.	
AWA MARU	Friday, 13th August.
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NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	
TANGO MARU	Saturday, 21st August.
SHANGHAI KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	
PENANG MARU (calls Moji)	Tuesday, 17th August.
TOYOOKA MARU	Monday, 18th August.
KITANO MARU	Tuesday, 24th August.
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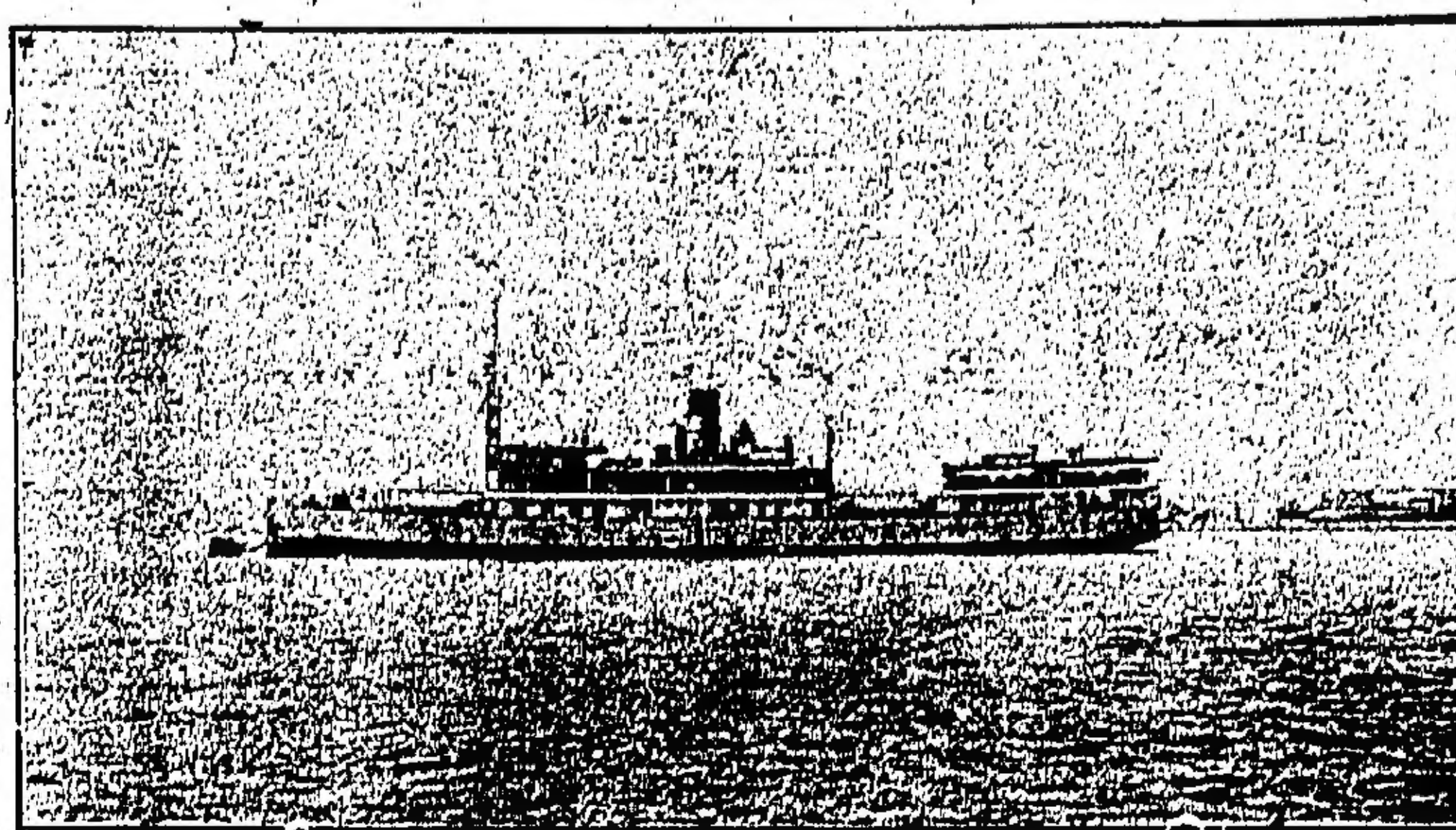
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### NAVY LEAGUE.

There is a branch of the Navy League in Hongkong, but its membership and its activities are much too limited in a seaport that depends so much as ours on naval supremacy and maritime efficiency. We have just perused a report of the annual meeting of the Grand Council of the Navy League, from which it is gratifying to find that the position of the League to-day is as strong as it has ever been.

The old traditional lines on which the Navy League were founded were to insist upon adequate naval defence of the Empire, first of all, because it is believed that is the only method of really securing the safety of the British Isles and of the Empire itself; secondly, because it is believed that a strong Navy is the best pledge for peace that the world can have; and, thirdly, because, whatever the future may bring forth, whatever scientific inventions bring to the fore, sea power and the Navy as representing sea power has no substitute, either on the land or in the air, or even at Geneva. Therefore these fundamental things have to be kept in front when advocating adequate naval defence for the British Islands and for the Empire.

Sir Cyril S. Cobb, speaking at the annual meeting, declared very rightly:—

"What we want to realise is that wherever there is an ocean, wherever there is a sea, wherever there is a port, there it is essential that we should be able to show the flag; essential that freedom of the seas should be established not only for ourselves, but for the prosperity of all the nations of the world. Therefore we have to ask you to bear these things in mind and to impress on every one whenever you have an opportunity, here at Home, or abroad, the absolute necessity for making adequate provision for the security of our vast overseas interest and our sea-borne trade, and so guaranteeing that the seas of the world may always be safe for us and for all men."

The sea-borne trade, imports and exports of the Empire, in the year 1924-25, amounted to

\$3,520,000,000. Those of the United States did not amount to half that sum; and the length of our trade routes that the British Navy has to police and guard amount to 80,000 miles. We rely on our ships, that fly the red ensign, to pass safely to and fro on these routes. When we think what these ships carry, our raw materials and our food, then any steps that we can take to make the safety and protection of these routes more efficient should be welcomed. In speaking of the Navy, it is not only the ships that are valuable to us; it is not only the men that are valuable to us, it is the great traditions that they carry on. The tradition of being ever ready, the tradition of keeping watch, the tradition of always being ready for service—that is a position which is priceless for any nation and any race, and it is one of the highest objects of the Navy League to keep in mind that great tradition.

These and other excellent sentiments were expressed at the recent annual meeting, a full report of which should be in the hands of every British resident of Hongkong. The League of Nations and the Locarno Pact, notwithstanding, there is still room for the activities of the Navy League. Likewise there is great scope for the extension of these activities in the Colony.

### PASSING THROUGH.

PASSENGERS BY "PRESIDENT MCKINLEY."

Passengers by the s.s. "President McKinley," which arrived in Hongkong yesterday from the North, include:

Hon. William H. Atwell:—U. S. District Court Judge of Dallas, Texas, also former Grand Exalted Ruler of the B.P.O.E. Accompanied by his wife he is making a tour of the Orient.

Mrs. Clyde Beck:—Resident of Manila, who is returning to her home after a visit in Shanghai.

Mrs. L. H. Burke and daughter:—Wife and daughter of Mr. L. H. Burke, Oriental representative of the Diston Saw Co. They will join Mr. Burke in Manila.

Mr. A. V. Fensch and wife:—En route to Manila where he is connected with the Pacific Commercial Co.

Mrs. Olive N. Gibson:—Tourist en route to Manila.

Mr. S. R. Hawthorne:—Returning to his home in Manila, after a trip to the States. He is connected with the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Co. of that city.

Mr. R. Renion Hind:—Well-known sugar man, returning to his home in the Philippines.

Col. C. H. Nance, wife and daughter:—Far Eastern representative of the Radio Corp. of America. They are going to Manila.

Mr. Fred O. Finn:—Oriental representative of the C. M. & St. P. Ry.

Mr. H. P. Pond and wife:—General manager of the Pacific Commercial Co. Going to Manila.

Mr. Lee Woo and Mr. Moy Poy-yow:—Residents of New York City, returning to Hongkong for a visit.

### MODERN ROMANCE.

FESTIVAL OF 7 HEAVENLY SISTERS.

"MILKY WAY" REUNION.

Ladies' Day: A Basin of Water for Beauty.

For the last week or two, those who have passed up Wellington Street by Lyndhurst Terrace must have noticed a marked increase in the number of girls and young ladies patronising the stores there, the haberdashers. Many are of opinion that the crowds are attracted by the reductions that are being given by these shops. However, this is not the sole reason. These shops only give a special reduction once a year, during the week prior to this festival of the 7th night, when face powder and other goods used by the fair sex are purchased in great quantities, to offer as sacrifices to the Fairy Princesses.

For the Fair Sex.

Saturday is the 7th day of the 7th moon according to the Chinese calendar, the day on which this festival falls. Although it is not one of the four major feasts, it may properly be ranked among the festivities of minor importance, and is still strictly observed by the Chinese, especially by the young members, to trace the origin of the festival.

The belief is held that once upon a time, there lived on the east bank of the River in the Kingdom of Heaven a weaver, a daughter of the Heavenly King. She was, as it is conjectured, very pretty and extraordinarily industrious, and had produced many a beautiful dress for her father. But, however, she led a rather solitary life. When she was of age, she was married, with the permission of the King, to a cowboy, living on the west bank of the River. The marriage was all happiness for they loved each other faithfully. But the princess eventually became so lazy that she entirely neglected her work, and weaved no more for her father.

The King's Anger.

No doubt the King was enraged, and as the story goes, the princess was commanded to depart from her husband and was only allowed to cross the River—believed to be the "Milky Way"—to see her husband once a year, on the 8th night of the 7th moon, the eve of the festival. The date has since then been and still is, observed in memory of, and in sympathy with, the unfortunate princess.

This is the only version recorded in connection with the festival; but how far it is true or how it came about, can only be surmised.

A Beauty Precept.

On the eve of the festival, after sunset, girls offer sacrifices to the fairy princess, which consist of face-powder and various paper imitations of boudoir requisites. A basin of water is generally put on the roof during the night there to remain till dawn. It is a habit of the girls to wash their faces in this water which is said to have a beautifying effect.

It is also customary that girls, in the first year of their marriage, should return, on the eve of the festival, to their own people, there to perform a great ceremony, "to bid adieu to the fairy princess." Contributed.

The celebrations proper are on Friday night when local Chinese homes will be en fete for the occasion.

### OBITUARY.

COL. T. C. GOODMAN.

Word has been received in Shanghai of the death in the Walter Reed hospital at Washington of Col. T. C. Goodman.

Colonel Goodman was the father of Mrs. John W. Schoenfeld of Shanghai. He was one of the best known army officers at Washington and was a relative of President McKinley.

Colonel Goodman was born in Canton, Ohio, in 1864, and was made a paymaster of volunteers, with the rank of major, in 1898. He was appointed to the same position and rank in the regular army in 1901. He was made a department paymaster general, with the rank of lieutenant colonel in 1911; and was promoted to colonel in 1915. In September of 1917 he was retired because of physical disabilities.

### COUNCIL MEETS.

DR. KOCH TAKES OATH ON JOINING.

TO-DAY'S ATTENDANCE.

The Legislative Council met this afternoon.

Dr. W. V. M. Koch, who is representing the unofficial Justices of the Peace during the absence of Sir Henry Pollock, took the customary oath on sitting for the first time.

The attendance comprised:—  
H. E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi).

H. E. the acting General Officer commanding the Troops (Lt.-Col. F. S. Montague Bates).

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern (Colonial Secretary).

The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp (Attorney General).

The Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer (Colonial Treasurer).

The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax (Secretary for Chinese Affairs).

The Hon. Mr. H. T. Crenay (Director of Public Works).

The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain Superintendent of Police).

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang.

The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird.

The Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall.

The Hon. D. G. M. Bernard.

The Hon. Dr. W. V. M. Koch.

Mr. S. B. B. McElderry (Clerk of Councils).

WHO DECIDES?

At this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird asked:—

Is it the Treasury Department or the Public Works Department which decides whether or not roads are to be repaired?

The following reply was read:—  
The Public Works Department is responsible generally for keeping Government roads in a proper state of repair subject to the necessary funds being available.

It is the duty alike of the Public Works Department and of the Treasury to ensure that expenditure shall not be incurred in excess of the amounts voted and allocated for the purpose.

The Hon. Mr. Bird, in reply to the Colonial Secretary's answer, said that the question of whether the money was voted or not seemed to him beside the point. If the Director of Public Works considered that repairs were urgent, surely the money could be met by a supplementary vote.

H. E. the Governor emphasised that in special emergencies money could be spent in accordance with a special warrant from himself.

### RUBBER FACTS.

SINGAPORE PRICES BY CABLE.

TWO DIVIDENDS.

(By Courtesy of Messrs. Carroll Brown.)

Singapore, Aug. 12.

Raw rubber is 64½ cents per lb.

The following dividends have been declared:—

Punggors, 8 per cent final.

Ulu Benuts, 10 per cent interim.

Latest quotations are:—

Straits.

Allenbya .....

Alor Gajahs .....

Amalgamated Malays .....

Ayer Moleks .....

Ayer Panas .....

Balgownie .....

Bassett .....

Brogas .....

Bukit Jelutongs .....

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Changkat Serdangs .....

Connemaras .....

Glencalies .....

Indragiris .....

Jerams .....

Jimahs .....

Kedahs .....

Kempas .....

Kuala Sidims .....

Lunas .....

Malaka Pindas .....

Malakoffs .....

Mandal Tekongs .....

Mayfields .....

Mentakabs .....

New Serendahs .....

Pajamas .....

Punggors .....

Sandycrofts .....

Seudals .....

Sungel Bagans .....

Tampaks .....

Teluk Ansons .....

United Malaccas .....

Utah Simpans .....

### RABIES FACTS.

MR. LANG'S QUESTIONS IN COUNCIL.

GOVERNMENT REPLIES.

On the matter of the local rabies outbreak, the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang asked a series of four questions at Legislative Council meeting to-day. Query and reply are given below:—

(1) Will the Government state the number of deaths from rabies since the beginning of the present outbreak?

(Answer) Since the beginning of the present outbreak, from December 27, 1925, to the present date, eight deaths from rabies have been notified. All the eight victims were of Chinese race. The last case was notified on May 20, 1926.

(2) Will the Government state the number of those inoculated who have subsequently died from rabies?

(Answer) Enquiries in each of these eight cases failed to produce evidence that any one of the victims had received anti-rabies inoculations prior to the development of symptoms of the disease.

(3) Will the Government state if it is the intention to take more drastic measures for the prevention of the spread of rabies?

(Answer) The Colonial Veterinary Surgeon reports that there is some improvement in the situation and the Government, therefore, does not consider it necessary at present to take more drastic measures. The present measures will, however, be carried on as vigorously as possible.

(4) Will the Government state if the question of establishing a Pasteur Institute in Hongkong has been considered?

(Answer) In Hongkong anti-rabies serum is prepared at the Bacteriological Institute and administered both at the Government Civil Hospital and by private practitioners. It is, therefore, considered that the needs of the Colony in this respect are sufficiently supplied and that a special Pasteur Institute need not be established.

### POLICE DESERTER.

PLEADS ILLNESS AS AN EXCUSE.

SENT TO PRISON.

A Shantung constable, who suddenly disappeared several months ago, was brought before Mr. R. E. Linsell at the Central Magistracy this morning and charged with desertion.

As soon as the man was found to be missing, the authorities cabled to Wei-hai-wei to arrest him. This was done on June 3 and the man was escorted back to Hongkong yesterday.

Captain Bloxham, in producing the constable's record, which showed a previous report against him, was unable to give any reason why he should desert. He mentioned that several recruited men had taken the opportunity to run away.

The defendant, D133, Siu Keetan, pleaded illness as his excuse for running away. He thought that if he had placed this fact before the Captain-Superintendent of Police at the time, he would have been given his discharge.

His Worship imposed sentence of six months' hard labour.

DISPUTE OVER PICTURES.

London, July 16.—A telegram from Dublin says the Free State Senate unanimously passed a resolution urging the British Government to provide for the return to Dublin of Sir Hugh Lane's collection of pictures valued at £200,000.

After a dispute with the Dublin Corporation about housing the pictures Sir Hugh Lane made a will bequeathing them to the National Gallery in London before he sailed to the United States in 1916.

He was killed on the return voyage on board the torpedoed "Lusitania," but left a codicil that the pictures should be returned to Dublin.

The codicil, however, was not signed by witnesses and therefore was invalid.

"I am the eternal Dauphin of France!"—Aristide Briand.

"The art of life lies largely in distinguishing the eddy from the stream."—Dr. A. Lawrence Lowell.

"The inclination of the boy to-day is to make something rather than break something."—Sir Travers Clark.



## ON THE RHINE.

## WITHDRAWAL OF FRENCH TROOPS.

## A PROMISE KEPT.

Rugby, August 11.

A reduction of the Rhineland Occupation Forces, involving the withdrawal of several thousand French troops, will take effect next month.

It will be recalled that the reduction of these forces was visualised as part of the "Policy of Conciliation" initiated at the time of the Locarno Treaty. When the British troops evacuated the Cologne area and were transferred to Westphalia, their strength was reduced from 15,000 to 9,000; and the Belgian force, when about the same time it was transferred to the second zone, was reduced to between 7,000 and 8,000. Some reductions were also made by the French, who have a great preponderance of occupation troops, but it was hoped that when the pressure of internal politics had relaxed sufficiently to enable him to turn his attention to the subject, M. Briand would give further effect to this conciliatory procedure.

In an interview after the formation of the present French Government, M. Briand declared his intention to pursue the Locarno policy, and the forthcoming reduction of French troops in Rhineland is regarded in London as indicating the fulfilment of this promise.—British Wireless Service.

## NO ULTIMATUM.

## A NOTE TO BULGARIAN MINISTER.

## CONTENTS SECRET.

Sofia, Aug. 11.

The diplomatic representatives of Yugoslavia, Roumania, and Greece have handed a collective Note to the Foreign Minister, M. Kalfoff, regarding the activities of bands of Comitatjia.

The contents of the Note are not divulged, but officials declare that it is not an ultimatum.—Reuter.

[Reuter wired from London on August 3:—The possibility of trouble in the Balkans is indicated by questions in the House of Commons asking whether steps will be taken to prevent Yugoslav troops entering Bulgaria. Mr. G. Locker-Lampson, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in reply, said that there is no reason to suppose that troops had yet entered Bulgaria as the result of the recent Comitatjia incident. He added that the Government was closely watching the situation. There was reason to suppose that Yugoslav forces would be ordered to pursue any Macedonian bands crossing the frontier. He understood that the Yugoslav Government proposed to bring the matter to the notice of the League of Nations.]

## MODERN VICKINGS.

## A VOYAGE OF 6,100 MILES.

## TINY SHIP'S EXPERIENCE.

Boston, Aug. 11.

After a 6,400 miles voyage from Bergen four modern Vikings have arrived on a tiny ship modelled on that in which Leif Ericsson crossed the Atlantic 900 years ago.

Captain Folgero, the leader of the party, said that the trip was uneventful except that they ran short of rations and were caught for several days in icepacks off Labrador.—Reuter.

## PEKING GARRISON.

## WHY THE COMMANDER RESIGNED.

Peking, August 11.

Wang Hui-ching's resignation from the Garrison Commandership, which was at first believed to be the usual protest against the non-payment of funds for the upkeep of the Metropolitan Police and Military Establishments, now appears to have been a protest against the summary treatment of Lin Pei-shan, of which he was not informed until the execution was over.—Reuter.

## NORTH v. SOUTH.

## WU PEI-FU'S CONTEMPT FOR CANTON.

## COLLAPSE WILL COME SOON.

Peking, August 3.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu has definitely declared that he will never return to Hankow before the suppression of the North-west army. The Tungan of Hupeh, General Chen Chia-mo, recently sent a special message to the Marshal pointing out to him the extreme danger of the capture of Yochow by the Cantonese troops, which possess sufficient strength to disturb the whole Yangtze Valley.

In reply, Marshal Wu said that he would direct his whole attention to the affairs in the North, leaving the affairs in the South to Marshal Sun Chuan-fang. He did not think it necessary that he should return to Hankow.

Having failed to convince Marshal Wu of the importance of his presence on the Hunan front, General Chen's delegate proceeded to Peking to interview Marshal Tsao Kun requesting him to use his influence. General Pan Shao-hsin was sent at once by Marshal Tsao to Changshien-tien, where Marshal Wu explained to him the whole situation in a very eloquent way, which at once convinced him of the reasonableness of the course taken by the Marshal.

Marshal Wu said "The Cantonese Northern Expedition is nothing but a talk and the creation of a kind of atmosphere. The internal administration of Kwangtung is but a mixture of different, opposite elements, therefore its collapse is only a question of time. I know for certain that many of the evil disposed there are awaiting an opportunity to rise in mutiny. General Chiang Kai-shek is still lingering at Shao-kwang, and why does he not dare to march into Kiangsi territory? Indeed, that man is full of fear and anxiety! Our army and navy are now gathering extraordinary strength in the vicinity of Yochow, fortifying the bank of the Nilo River. The enemy cannot fly, and there is no fear of the invading hordes of Cantonese. Moreover, Marshal Sun Chuan-fang has agreed to direct operations there, and that relieves all my anxiety. Just think of the miserable condition of the North west troops! I have driven them step by step into the corner, and it does not require twenty days for me to exterminate them. Mencius well said, 'If you dig a well to a depth of 9 fen (72 feet) without meeting water, it will become a useless dry well if you discontinue your efforts.' I must win several decisive battles; otherwise I will lose face." The ancients said that to a traveller performing a journey of 100 li, he had only done half of his task when he got through 90 li. The other 10 li are the hardest, but I must fight on. I thank the President for his kindness, but I must declare that in a week or two the world will be able to appreciate my decisions."

Marshal Wu has great confidence in the loyalty of General Tien Wei-chun, and further declared that all the rumours against Tien had come from the Legation Quarters, where the Kuomintang refugees are.—"A.N.S."

## "TIGER'S" LETTER.

## POSSIBLE EFFECT IN AMERICA.

## PRESIDENT'S INTEREST.

New York, August 11.

President Coolidge first learnt of M. Clemenceau's letter as he sat by the fireside of his ancestral home in Plymouth. He was so interested that he delayed the departure of his special train, from Plymouth until the text was available.

The "New York Times" correspondent who is following President Coolidge is of opinion that the sole effect of the letter will be to increase the opposition to ratification of the French debt settlement, whilst some of the advisers to the Administration even think that it will tend to strengthen the arguments of the Borah clique, who contend that the agreement is too lenient.

Other officials who are in close contact with the President—including Senator Ernst, who declares that the language of the letter is insolent and impertinent—consider that an attack on American policy from such a distinguished Frenchman demands an official reply.

The "New York Times" understands that the part of the letter which especially roused the President was the comparison of the Treaty between the United States and Germany with the Russo-German Treaty at Brest Litovsk.

## Borah's Views.

Bois (Idaho), August 11.

Senator Borah has issued a statement characterising the letter as "a cruelly misleading in its remarks about the sale and independence of France and as deliberately unjust as regards America's separate peace treaty. Nevertheless, he says that it is pathetic in M. Clemenceau's manifest love of his country. 'We can afford to ignore M. Clemenceau's wrath.'"

Senator Borah adds:—If they want to cancel their debts let them include all the debts and all the reparations show that the benefit of cancellation will go to all humanity and the betterment of the masses of Europe, and not to the benefit of imperialistic schemes which are now crushing the life out of people who are no sense responsible for the war.—Reuter.

## PRINCE OF SIAM.

(Continued from page 1.)

Penang had to pass through Kedah. He himself, however, had passed through without difficulty, he added.

Prince Dahn leaves Hongkong this afternoon for Manila by the s.s. "President McKinley."

## The Royal Family.

It may be recalled that one of the Princesses of Siam passed through Hongkong a short time ago on her way to Manila where she intended taking up nursing work.

H.M. King Sukhodaya, of Siam has had a sound practical education in Siam and European countries, notably England and France. In his early years he lived under the immediate care of his father and mother, their late Majesties King Chulalongkorn and the Queen Mother. His early education was carefully supervised by them, and took the lines accorded to his later Royal Brother, King Chulalongkorn had a strong belief in an English education, and held that Princes of the Blood should be given the opportunity to proceed to England to receive a first-class scholastic education and, as far as possible, experience in military affairs. His younger brother, who has now succeeded him as King, went to Eton, and there received a general education, passing through the ordinary course with considerable distinction. But in addition he served in the Army, attending the Military College at Woolwich, passing all the examinations, and receiving a commission as a fully qualified lieutenant of the British Army. Later he was on duty as an officer of the Royal Horse Artillery at Aldershot.

## JEWS STRANDED IN BAGDAD.

London, July 19.—In the House of Commons, replying to questions with regard to the 140 Jewish families held up in Bagdad, en route to Palestine, where they desire to settle, Mr. G. Ormsby-Gore said Lord Plumer had informed him that the cases were being investigated by the Palestine Zionist Executive who would presumably formally apply to the High Commissioner as soon as it could. He understood it was doubtful how far the families concerned possessed sufficient independent means to qualify for admission into Palestine, otherwise than under the labour schedule.

## THE TWENTY-ONE.

## SHANGHAI WAS ONCE THE VENUE.

## PAN ASIATIC CONGRESS.

Nagasaki, August 2.

The Chinese delegate proposed before proceeding with the general discussion, the cancellation of the "Twenty One Demands" must be decided upon as preliminaries. This resulted in a conflict with the Japanese delegates. Mr. Y. Norimoto, M.P., who was to preside over the meeting, and Messrs. Mori and Nagamine, M.P.s, resigned as Japanese delegates, resending the proposal made at the very beginning of the Conference. Lin Kopin, a Chinese delegate, stated that the Congress was originally to be convened in Shanghai, but it was shelved owing to the fact that Shanghai was in the sphere of influence of Great Britain. Wong Kung-su, another Chinese delegate, emphasised that before uniting the Asiatic races, the establishment of friendship between the Chinese and Japanese nations should not be disregarded. Therefore, Japan should first abolish the "Twenty-one demands" and other treaties of inequality, which are obstructions to friendship. The Asiatic races must not be at variance, otherwise the white races would take a mean advantage of them.

## COAL FROM STETTIN.

## INCREASED TRANSHIPMENT.

Owing to the strike in England very large quantities of Silesian coal are shipped via Stettin, to England, and to all those countries hitherto supplied with coal by Great Britain. Latterly nearly 10,000 tons of coal have been daily transhipped at the port of Stettin.

The real quantity that might be shipped if all lifting arrangements are in use and if worked in three turns is shown by the following calculation:—

The coal-tip at the Reitherwerder harbour, which forms part of the harbour of Stettin, shoots a wagon with 20 tons of coal per five minutes into the vessel, meaning a transshipment of 5,700 tons of coal per 24 hours at this plant alone. The same quantity can be handled by four transporter bridges available at the same harbour district and having a loading capacity of 50 tons per hour each, so that this special place for bulk cargoes can deal with 11,000 tons and more daily.

Another place for transshipping coal is available at the free port equipped with 18 cranes which handle 40 tons per hour each, 17,000 tons a day. Furthermore, many coal firms have cranes of their own for this purpose, so that the total coal shipping capacity at Stettin amounts to 38,000 tons a day.

## Shadows Before.

## COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

## Entertainments.

August 12—Queen's Theatre: "Circe, The Enchantress." Theatre: Charlie Chaplin "The Gold Rush." August 12—World Theatre: "The Limited Mail."

Sports: August 16—Baseball at Happy Valley, All Star Filipino team v. South China, 4.30 p.m. August 16—At Happy Valley, All Star Filipino Baseball team v. U.S.S. Helena, 4.30 p.m. August 18—All Star Filipino Baseball team v. All Hongkong, at Happy Valley, 4.30 p.m.


Auction: August 14—At Godown No. 1, Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, 228 packages bamboo and rattan baskets, artificial paper flowers and paper lanterns, 11 a.m.

Meetings: August 11—Meeting of H.K. Branch, Marine Engineers' Guild, Sailors' Home, West Pt., 5 p.m.

August 31—Annual meeting of the United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd. in the offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., noon.

"One is left wondering about Great Men. There used to be so many of them."—Philip Guedalla.

Vancouver, British Columbia.—Four ships will sail from this port shortly for the Western Arctic Ocean, carrying trade goods and stores worth an estimated figure of \$300,000. The Hudson Bay Company is sending in two vessels, s.s. "Baychimo" and the powered schooner Baymaud. A Vancouver company is sending the powered Ketch Nigalik, and Captain C. Klengenbergs' schooner Old Maid No. 2 has just sailed. All but the "Baychimo" are expected to winter in the North.



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## RELIGIOUS LAWS.

## ARCHBISHOP'S FRESH OVERTURES.

Mexico City, August 11.

Archbishop Vera has again made overtures for a truce, asking President Calles to suspend his religious restrictions until Congress is convened, apparently with the hope that the legislature may enact less severe restrictions.—Reuter.

## Coolidge on the Fence.

Paul Smith's (New York), Aug. 11.

In conformity with his decision to maintain a "hands off" attitude as regards the Mexican religious controversy, President Coolidge has declined to receive a delegation of the Knights of Columbus, which desires to present a petition calling on the Secretary of State to terminate the "anonymous contempt shown by President Calles for Americans by resolutely demanding that they be treated with the same consideration and respect as Mexicans in this country."

The Committee were advised to present the petition and any other protests to the State Department.—Reuter.

## Priests Executed.

Mexico City, August 11.

Archbishop Leopoldo Ruiz Flores has arrived from Michoacan. He stated that two priests and 30 laymen were executed by the military authorities August 1 and 2 as ringleaders in the rising against the government in a protest against new religious regulations.

The Archbishop added that a day-long battle was fought at Zahuayo, where the Catholics refused to hand over the churches to the Municipal Committees. Fifty persons were killed. Federal reinforcements ended the struggle.—Reuter.

## WIRELESS ERA.

## SERVICE BETWEEN VIENNA AND AMSTERDAM.

## FIRST MESSAGE TO QUEEN.

Amsterdam, Aug. 11.

A wireless service between Vienna and Amsterdam was inaugurated by the Dutch Minister in Vienna, Jonkheer van Nispen Totsvenaeer.

The first telegram was transmitted from the President, Dr. Michael Hainisch, to Queen Wilhelmina.—Reuter.

## A WOMAN'S MIND.

## "MA" FERGUSON VEERS ONCE AGAIN.

## FIELD OF FIGHT STILL.

Austin (Texas), August 11.

"Ma" Ferguson has again exercised woman's right to change her mind, a fortnight ago she sportingly announced that did not intend to stand again for the Governorship although Attorney-General Moody was nearly 2,000 votes short of the required majority over all the other candidates for the Governorship.

"Ma" now proclaims in a 2,000 word document that she will again enter the campaign with all her heart.—Reuter.

## DETECTIVE KILLED.

## SHOT WITH OWN REVOLVER BY NEGRO.

## RACE FOR LIBERTY.

New York, Aug. 11.

The whole Police Force have been scouring the city to find a negro who killed with his own revolver at the Police Headquarters a detective, who had just arrested him for stealing a motor car.

The detective brought the prisoner to the Record Office and was bending over a ledger recording the details of the offence when the negro snatched a revolver from the detective's holster and riddled him with three bullets.

There were other policemen in the room, but the murderer rushed out of the office before they were able to grab him. He raced down the corridor, dodging other detectives, and reached the street, where he disappeared amid a salvo of shots from his pursuers.

The negro was discovered wandering in the streets in the Bowery district, and arrested. Three detectives were killed last week alone whilst fighting desperate criminals.—Reuter.

## HUGE FIRE.

## SEVEN GREAT OIL TANKS EXPLODE.

## FIREMEN BAFFLED.

Baltimore, Aug. 11.

Firemen are battling with a huge conflagration caused by an explosion yesterday evening of seven great tanks, containing half a million gallons of petrol, kerosene, and benzol, on the grounds of the American Oil Company.

Nearly 100,000 people watched the spectacle of the flames shooting 100 feet high, creating a pall of dense smoke. The intensity of the heat injured seven persons.

The firemen are throwing up a curtain of water to prevent the further spread of the flames, as they are unable to penetrate the fire area.—Reuter.

## FRANC RATE.

## FLUCTUATES IN LONDON.

London, August 11.

The French franc in London opened at 175½ and soon went to 178.—Reuter.

## Closing Rates.

London, August 11.

French francs closed at 174.62 and Belgian at 177.74.—Reuter.

## FRENCH POLITICS.

## PARLIAMENT ADJOURNS TILL OCTOBER.

Paris, August 11.

Parliament has adjourned till the middle of October.—Reuter.



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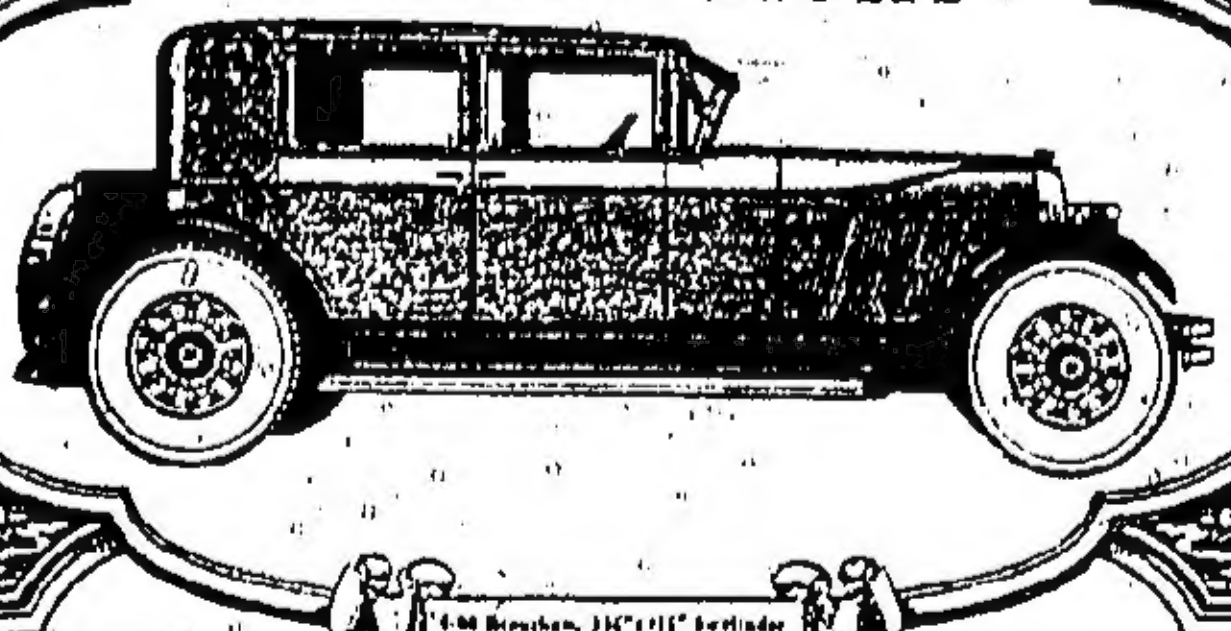
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# LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

On Tuesday two fresh Chinese cases of enteric fever were notified, one from the city and one from Kowloon.

Messrs. Lummet Bros. announce a sale of furniture, pianos, cinematograph machines, etc., at their Duddell Street sales rooms on August 18 at 2.30 p.m.

The Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., now notified that telegraphic communication (from Hongkong) with Tientsin is restored. Communication with Peking is still interrupted, but telegrams will be forwarded by train from Tientsin.

The postponed Kowloon Cricket Club concert is to be given on Saturday evening, the place of Miss Mura Shipoff, the young Russian ballet dancer who has left for Manila, being taken by local artistes. The programming gives promise of being a most entertaining one.

Owing to the poor progress maintained by the contractors during 1925 more work had to be done in this year in connection with the Shek Lai Pui Reservoir in Kowloon. A vote of \$18,000 is therefore asked for at today's Finance Committee meeting to cover cost of extra work.

Quebec, Quebec.—The population of Greater Quebec has now reached 185,000, according to the new city directory. So far as the City of Quebec proper is concerned, the figures given place it at 125,000 souls. The last Federal census, taken in 1921, places the population of Quebec at 98,000.

Cost incurred in providing additional protection to the foundations of the Eastern return of the quay wall at North Point and levelling of pell mell rubble slopes is the subject of a supplementary expenditure vote of \$10,000 submitted to the Finance Committee at today's meeting.

Owing to the dangers of flooding from neighbouring paddy fields it was found necessary in the course of work on the Shung Mun water scheme to construct catchwaters not previously anticipated. The upper portion of the road was constructed on a better alignment than was originally intended, this involving more excavation. To cover cost of extra work a vote of \$15,000 is requested at today's meeting of the Finance Committee.

Austin, Texas, Aug. 2.—The return of Charles Ponzi, the financial wizard, to Massachusetts to serve a sentence of from seven to ten years for theft, was ordered by Governor Ferguson.

Batavia, July 29.—According to a report received by Aneta from Padang, it is learned that an earthquake shock was felt at Padang Pandjang at 1.20 p.m. on the 28th inst. The shock was rather severe.

Commenting on recent riots in Calcutta, "The Statesman" says the incidents are one more proof of the rawness of tempers and of the determination among some classes of the populace not to respect the orders issued by Government.

A Tokyo cable of August 1 states: The antagonism towards the Governor of the inhabitants of Nagano Prefecture is daily more marked. A boycott by taxpayers is operating, the amount of local taxes collected by today's date, showing much deficit owing to seven-tenths of the taxpayers having failed to pay.

Paris, July 23.—The International Miners' Committee concluded with a private conference which merely confirmed the decisions of the Ostend and Brussels Conferences with regard to the coal stoppage in Great Britain confining its support of the miners to verbal sympathy. Mr. A. J. Cook, interviewed by "L'Humanité," complained of the attitude of the French and German delegates, "who savagely attacked us for accepting money from Moscow. The Americans alone supported us in this matter."

While wading through shallow water in the swamps at the 9th mile West Coast Road, Singapore, a young Chinese was taken by a large-sized crocodile and pulled away before help could be sent for. A search was made for the body, but no trace was found either of the crocodile or the missing man. The unfortunate youth's brother, who was with him at the time and who saw him being dragged struggling away, states that the crocodile was quite 12 feet in length. The two men were making their way to a boat which was tied up in the water. This is the first casualty of its kind for some time.

London, August 3.—The "Central News" correspondent at Belgrade says today that the Jugo-Slavia war minister has ordered army commanders to pursue the Bulgarian irregulars who have invaded Jugo-Slavia into Bulgaria. This would be tantamount to war.

Batavia, July 29.—According to a report received by Aneta from the Dutch commandant of the troops stationed at Bakongan, it is learned that up to and including July 24, thirty Acheenese rebels have been killed in Troemon, at which place Dutch troops are making rigorous efforts to rid it of rebels.

Boston, August 3.—Lady Astor told newspaper reporters in the course of a general interview that most of the ill-feeling in England against America on the subject of war debts had been engendered by editorials in the "Daily Mail." She said that they were written in a vein so vituperative that the government was finally obliged to intervene.

The schoolboy's definition of a newspaper editor is worth quoting, says the "Newspaper World": "The editor is one of the happiest men in the world, for he can go to picture palaces without paying, get free tickets for theatres and concerts, and has lots of wedding cake sent to him. Whilst we have to go to bed early, the editor sits up every night and knows all that is going on."

Kentville, Nova Scotia.—In order to encourage production, the Department of Natural Resources, in conjunction with the Dominion Atlantic Railway, have completed arrangements for a special demonstration train to traverse the territory served by the railway. This train will carry a number of grade dairy cows of various breeds, also swine and poultry. Practical talks and demonstrations will be given at the various scheduled stops.

Sutherland, Saskatchewan.—The Dominion forestry farm here has been particularly busy during the past month in shipping young trees destined to become pleasant groves of shelter in nearly 3,000 places in the prairie provinces. Up to the fall of 1923 the Sutherland station had shipped, since its inception, over 17,000,000 trees. For 1924 the total was well over 2,000,000, while in 1925 it was about the same number. This year 3,365,000 were shipped.

# SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Mr. H. E. Edmonds of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company, Singapore, who met with an accident owing to a collision with a motor car, is, his friends will be glad to learn, progressing well.

The death of Mr. Morris Gross, of the Tientsin A. P. C. accounts department, son of Mr. L. Gross of London at the age of 27, took place in Victoria Hospital, Tientsin from peritonitis. Deceased served with the B. E. F. in France and was invalided out of the Army.

On the 7th inst. Judge Peter Grain in H. B. M.'s Supreme Court Shanghai made absolute the decree nisi obtained by Mrs. Georgian Florence Davis, of Australia, against her husband Mr. Cecil George Davis, of Tientsin. The case was heard in Shanghai six months ago, and no defence was offered by the husband or the co-respondent.

Penang, August 4.—The petition was heard in the Supreme Court of Paul Domingo, of Singapore, for the dissolution of his marriage with Eulalie Gerald Domingo nee Jeremiah, quoting J. D. Martinez as co-respondent. The suit was not contested either by the respondent or co-respondent, who admitted cohabitation in the affidavits. The Court granted a decree nisi, to be stayed for three months, the respondent to have the custody of the child born in the marriage, but the petitioner to have access to the child.

Shanghai, August 5.—Mr. Serge Stepanoff, cartoonist, who was admitted into hospital on Monday suffering from a severe heat stroke, followed by paralysis and haemorrhage, and who was not expected to live through the first night is still alive owing to the battle which is being waged for his life by the doctors and nurses interested in the case. Every bit of known medical science has been and is being used by the profession to keep this clever cartoonist alive and it would appear that their efforts are going to be successful as Mr. Stepanoff is holding his own.

Ipoh, August 3.—About 600 boy scouts of Perak assembled at Ipoh yesterday for a whole-day jamboree. They were officially inspected by H.H. the Sultan and did not disperse until midnight.

Mr. H. Blett, of the British Consular Department in Java, who has been asked to report to the Overseas Department regarding the need for a trade commissioner for Malaya, is visiting Perak.

Bangkok, July 30.—Phra Laddha Kavard, ex-Consul at Penang for Siam, was today sentenced to seven years' imprisonment for misappropriation of Ticals 90,000. This is the maximum penalty.

Captain Julius Meyer arrived in Bangkok on January 12, 1876, as mate of the German barque "Piccola," 238 tons, and died early on July 24, at his residence off Windmill Road. He has remained in Siam for the fifty years in between those dates, and up to his last illness has been active and healthy, taking an interest in all matters pertaining to the shipping of the port.—"B. Times."

Simla, July 24.—Nagpur, July 23.—Unlike his predecessors, the Viceroy, accompanied by the Commissioner of the Nagpur Division and the Deputy-Commissioner of Nagpur, this afternoon paid a surprise visit to the villages of Mahadul and Dahigaon, to gain first-hand knowledge of village life, and of the fundamental elements of district administration. The villagers were unaware of their distinguished visitor was.

Batavia, July 31.—It will be remembered that Capt. Paris of the Netherlands Indian army died in action in Acheen some time ago whilst putting down the unrest in that part of the colony. Capt. Paris was married to an English woman and at her request the body was sent to England for burial. The funeral took place at Hastings, in the presence of a large crowd, the late captain being accorded full British military honours.

The two daughters of Mr. F. W. Douglas, late District Officer, Klang, and Mrs. Douglas, were presented to Their Majesties at the recent Court.

A supper took place recently at the Malacca Swimming Club, at which the Singapore and local teams were the guests of the President, Major J. B. Sewell.

Murray Bay, Quebec, Aug. 3.—Chief Justice William Howard Taft of the United States was greatly improved to-day after suffering from a severe cold.

Passing through the Colony on their way to Manila, on the "President McKinley" are the Hon. and Mrs. William H. Atwell, Col. C. H. and Mrs. Nance, and Miss K. Nance are also passengers on the liner.

Mrs. Lock Wei has returned to the Colony by the Admiral Line "President McKinley." She is the wife of Mr. W. Lock Wei (son of the late Sir Boshan Wei Yui) who is a leading Chinese tennis player. Mrs. Lock Wei is also a tennis enthusiast.

Mr. John Leech, K.C. father of the Irish Bar, has given up his profession to join the staff of the British-Israel-World Federation as Commissioner-General and Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, supporting the Secretary-General.

Tuli Chen Chia-mao has sent Mr. Wang Pa-lien, one of the richest merchants in Hankow to Shanghai to interview the different steamship companies with a view to establishing a surcharge on all steamer tickets, which surcharge will be used for the relief of flood sufferers on the Yangtze.

Berlin, August 6.—The German explorer Stratul Sauer who was recently condemned to four years' imprisonment in an Afghan court for killing in self defence an Afghan subject has been pardoned by the Amir. The German press lauds the action of the Amir considering this a new proof of the friendly relations between the two countries.

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## SPORTS SECTION

## RECORD TIME.

## BERESFORD BEATEN IN RETURN.

## THAMES SCULLING.

London, Aug. 11. J. Beresford, junior, has been beaten over the championship course (from Putney to Mortlake) in a sculling race.

On July 30, Beresford set up a record by winning the Wingfield Sculls for the seventh successive year. He then defeated T. Collet on a foul.

It was Collet who defeated Beresford to-day. As a sequel to the Wingfield Sculls match, a private return match was arranged over the same course.

Collet won by 1 1/2 lengths. His time was 21 minutes, 22 seconds which is 41 seconds inside the record.—Reuter.

## C.R.C. CHAMPIONS.

## TENNIS LEAGUE, DIV. 1 NOW DECIDED.

## KOWLOON DEFEATED.

Defeating Kowloon Cricket Club yesterday, the Chinese Recreation Club became champions of division I of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis League, after having already won first places in the "B" and "C" sections.

For the floors, that redoubtable veteran S. E. Green, and E. C. Fincher, put up a great fight, winning all three matches. That is, they beat each of the three Chinese pairs. Scores follow:

Ng Sze-kwong and Yew Man-Kit, lost to S. E. Green and E. C. Fincher 5-6  
Beat C. E. Millard and E. F. Fincher 6-2  
Beat T. Lay and N. Trambitzky 10-1

Ho Kiu-lau and Yew Man-tsun lost to Green and E. C. Fincher 5-6  
Beat Lay and Trambitzky 6-5  
Beat Millard and E. F. Fincher 2-2

M. W. Lo and M. H. Lo lost to Green and E. C. Fincher 5-6  
Lost to Lay and Trambitzky 4-7  
Beat Millard and E. F. Fincher 6-5

C.R.C. 59 games, K.C.C. 40.  
Division "B".

In division "B" Craigenzower C.C. received the Indian R.C. and won the barest possible margin—one game. Scores:

J. W. Leonard and W. J. Howard beat S. H. Ismail and J. S. Acker 6-5  
Beat S. A. Hamid and S. S. Hussain 6-5  
Lost to S. A. Ismail and S. A. R. Bux 5-6

R. Basa and D. Chow beat S. H. Ismail and J. S. Acker 9-2  
Beat S. A. Hamid and S. S. Hussain 6-5  
Lost to S. A. Ismail and S. A. R. Bux 5-6

C.C.C. 50 games, I.R.C. 49.

## BUILDING PROGRESS.

## REPORTS FOR LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## THE FIRE STATION.

The following reports by the Director of Public Works will be tabled at the Council meeting to-day. They are the seventh quarterly reports and cover the three months ended June 30.

The contractors have made fairly satisfactory progress with the work during this quarter.

The Des Voeux Road portion of the building is well advanced, and work is proceeding with the fittings in the native kitchens and sanitary blocks.

All the upper storeys to the Connaught Road portions of the building have been plastered, joinerwork fixed including glazing and ironmongery, floor tiles laid to the corridors, and work is being carried out on laying the wood block flooring, plumberwork, and fixing of sanitary goods.

Painterwork is being executed wherever possible as the various trades complete their work.

Concrete work is proceeding to the floors of the motor rooms over the lift wells, but the completion of the building is being delayed, as the lifts have not yet arrived from England.

The external plasterwork is nearing completion and work is being carried out on the fixing of rain-water gonds, cleaning the face brick-work and dressing down the granite work.

## HOME CRICKET.

## AUSTRALIANS MEET PUBLIC SCHOOLS XV.

## COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP.

Yesterday and to-day, the Australian cricketers are meeting a team of fifteen Public Schools players at Lord's. This two-day fixture is unlikely to be included in the averages at the end of the season.

As the visitors insisted on a complete day's rest before a Test began, they are disengaged on Friday (to-morrow). Hence this 2-day match. On Saturday, of course, they embark on the last and deciding Test at the Oval—play to a finish irrespective of time.

A series of interesting county championship fixtures began yesterday. Full results will be complete in Saturday's issue. The matches are:

Somerset v. Surrey, at Weston-super-Mare.  
Worcestershire v. Lancashire, at Worcester.  
Essex v. Derbyshire, at Leyton.  
Gloucestershire v. Notts, at Cheltenham.  
Yorkshire v. Northamptonshire, at Leeds.  
Hampshire v. Middlesex, at Bourne-mouth.  
Sussex v. Leicestershire, at Hastings.

## LAWN BOWLS.

## KOWLOON DOCK v. DUNDEE.

The K.D.R.C. will have their annual match with "Dundee" on Saturday at the Dock Green. The following will represent the visitors:

Simpson (Captain), Scott, Chapman, Ferguson, Hazel, Ogg, J. Clark, A. Clark, W. Clark, McLeod, Fender, Sword, Reid, Logan, Fallon, Nicoll, McLennan, Baxter, Dick, and Edwards.

## BASEBALL VISIT.

Elsewhere in this issue will be found an advertisement giving full details about the visit of the Philippine all-star baseball team. Dates and prices of admission are announced; ladies free.

## WATER POLO LEAGUE.

The two league water polo matches down for decision yesterday were cancelled, on account of insufficient water at the Victoria Recreation Club bath.

V. Sousa and A. R. Remedios lost to S. H. Ismail and J. S. Acker 2-8

Beat S. A. Hamid and S. S. Hussain 6-5  
Lost to S. A. Ismail and S. A. R. Bux 4-7

C.C.C. 50 games, I.R.C. 49.

Tenders were received and a contract was let on 11th May to Messrs. Kin Lee & Co. to supply furniture and the special fittings for the laboratories, while further tenders were received and were under consideration at the end of June, to supply furniture for the Offices of the various Departments to be accommodated in the building.

**Bonham Road School.**  
Satisfactory progress has been made during this quarter and the building is now almost completed.

The open playground has been paved, the granite portico to front entrance is nearly completed and work in connection with the widening of Bonham Road is well advanced. The instalment of water supply to the swimming pool is in hand and the lay-out of the masters' garden has been commenced.

The fittings to latrine block have been installed. Lights and fans throughout the school are being fixed, also the locks and fastenings etc., to doors and windows.

Furniture contracts have been let. A portion of the building on the Bonham Road side is now occupied and in use.

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## MISSED CHANCES.

## SAD STORY UNFOLDED AT INQUEST.

## EUROPEAN'S LAPSES.

A verdict of suicide whilst of unsound mind was returned at the inquest yesterday into the circumstances attending the death of Mr. F. G. Glass, of the Hongkong Electric Company, who was killed by falling from a window at East Point Terrace on the afternoon of Saturday, July 31.

It was stated on behalf of his employers that he had absented himself for a few days on several occasions without giving any reasons and had been warned repeatedly. As a result of a further absence from duty at a time when he had been warned that if it occurred again he would be dismissed, a letter of dismissal from his employers was drawn up. It was not in fact given to deceased as he did not again return to work.

Evidence was given by Mr. G. S. Rodger, acting workshop superintendent in the Tramway Company, who had lived with deceased since shortly after his arrival in the Colony. Questioned by Mr. R. E. Lindell, sitting as Coroner, witness said that once every three months or so deceased would have a bad bout of drinking for two or three days. He had had one on the Sunday, Monday and Tuesday before his death. Witness did not think that he had returned to work at all that week but he told witness that he would start the following Monday. Witness thought that the deceased knew he was finished so far as the Electric Company was concerned owing to a warning he had received.

**Last Seen Reading.**  
Witness stated in the course of further evidence that he saw deceased shortly after one o'clock on the day of the tragedy. He had been conversing with witness during tiffin although deceased had no tiffin himself. He did not seem depressed and when witness went out a few minutes after one o'clock he was reading a book. Receiving news of what happened shortly afterwards, witness returned to find Mr. Glass lying in the street terribly injured.

Reference was made to a chair which had been found in the bathroom under the window from which the deceased fell. Witness said that it belonged to the deceased's bedroom and he had never seen it before in the bathroom. Asked if it had occurred to him that deceased might have been leaning out of the window and fell, witness said that it had occurred to him that deceased might have slipped on the mat whilst leaning out. The mat which was usually directly under the window, had been moved back.

Mr. Lindell, after asking the width of the pavement (five feet), commented that this seemed to be of some importance because if the man had fallen he would probably have fallen more vertically on the pavement instead of the roadway.

Evidence was also given by Mr. V. Sorby, of the Hongkong Electric Company, under whom deceased had been employed as assistant engineer of mains. Witness referred to the times when deceased had been absent from work and to the warnings which had been given him. Deceased had been under notice previously but after being steady for two months had asked if he could complete his contract (which had over a year to run). He stated that he was sure of himself now and would pull himself together. Deceased's dismissal was reconsidered on the understanding that he would be dismissed immediately if he had another lapse. It was a week or so later that deceased had finally absented himself. After the Coroner had addressed them, the jury returned a verdict as stated above.

## POLICE RAIDS IN HOWRAH.

Calcutta, July 18.—The name of the youth arrested in the course of house searches in Howrah is Shyama Charan Bose, who is a matriculate.

Further inquiries in connection with the political raids in Howrah go to show that nine houses were searched in Howrah, and Shilpur by the police, who seized a number of German and other books and papers, a cipher code, etc. Three houses were also raided in the village of Domjur in the interior of Howrah, and the police seized a dagger from one house and a pistol, five or six live cartridges, nitric acid and other chemicals and ingredients for the manufacture of bombs and a bomb shell from the second house. A Bengali youth was arrested here by the police and taken to Elysium Row, the office of the Intelligence Branch. It is alleged that he has made a sensational statement to the police.

## DEATH DUEL.

## WHOLE REGION TERRORISED BY TERRIFIC BATTLE.

## TWO BULL ELEPHANTS.

The details of the fight between two elephants in the jungles of Bengal has just been received by an exchange. The fight was between a couple of young bulls who were apparently smitten by the same flapper elephant.

"That two young bulls should so to speak, fall in love with the same young cow at the same time is a very unusual phenomenon in elephant life, native observers who know elephants as well as we know men, assure me," writes the author of the letter. "But this happened in this case."

"And when anything of this sort is on all the jungle knows that something epochal, amazing, impending. Birds are all a-twitter; other wild animals are nervous; the air is full of ominous significance."

**Heartless Flirt.**  
"Well, this young lady elephant kept up her frivolous flirtations with these young bulls in the torrid State of Bengal where the royal tigers come from, and the young bulls got more and more inflamed with love for her and with hate for one another."

"The first news that the cow had really come to a bull was noted in the village Jamshedpur early one recent morning. It came on the form of certain elephant trumpet calls, which any intelligent native will read as plainly as he can translate the roaring of an angry tiger or the hungry cries of his own babes."

"After these calls had been repeated several times the natives knew that it would be safe enough to approach with a certain amount of caution, naturally, the scene of the surely impending conflict, for the calls indicated that the elephants were so angry at one another that they would be unlikely to pay attention to outsiders."

**Viewed Battle.**  
"So a dozen of the more heroic young natives snaked through the jungle and climbed into the large limbs of very solid trees which promised to be so located that they would serve as grandstands from which to view the battle. If an elephant was killed there would be free meat and ivory."

"It was just at sunrise when the first charge was made by one of the young bulls and from that minute the fight never ceased for a long breath, for a bite to eat, for a trip to the nearby water hole, all day, all night and until about 8 o'clock the following morning."

"The elephants fought so fiercely that they knocked over everything that could be knocked over including many trees, and when the natives saw the struggle was tending toward their village they straightway took the babies and fled, leaving the old people to whatever fate might come as is the way with the Bengalese."

**Silence Falls.**  
"The natives hid as far as they dared go away and in the largest trees that they could find until finally silence fell and at least two hours elapsed with no sound of the terrific din which had been going on for hours. Then they crept as the sun rose cautiously near to the arena."

"No elephants were there. That village had been spared. 'Later one elephant was found lying dead in a ditch at a considerable distance. He had been terribly battered and torn by his enemy although his ivory and meat at once aroused the greed of the natives."

**Ten Miles Away.**  
"The other beast driven away from the first carcass by his more powerful fellows was trailed by his staggering, uncertain footsteps and trail of blood."

"He was finally found dead ten miles away and near his carcass the young cow elephant was standing, waving her head back and forth. As the natives approached she fled into the jungle."

"In the elephant first found dead were embedded the two tusks of his rival which had been broken short off, and this rival had been terribly lacerated by his foeman as the final death blow had been struck."

## THE THREE MILE LIMIT.

Washington, August 3.—The recent ruling of the court of appeals upholding the seizure of alleged American rum runners outside of the three mile limit was described to-day by the Department of Justice in a statement as "a noteworthy decision having an important bearing on the efforts of the government to enforce the prohibition law and to stamp out rum running."

The court ruling was based on the anti-smuggling and shipping laws. The supreme court has declared the dry law is not applicable to American ships on the high seas, although United States Shipping Board vessels are prohibited by the board from selling intoxicants.

## THE WILD SWAN.

## THE SPORTSMAN'S BIGGEST GAME.

## A GREAT PRIZE.

In their time of arrival wild swans are very uncertain. That is because they come here from regions surrounding Polar ice. If in the Far North weather conditions resemble those of this latitude, then the wild swan's advent is delayed.

Always, however, a few herds come here before we get a spell of hard weather. It is when rough weather before or after Christmas sets in that the large herds of wild swans, which the sportsman and the naturalist so delight to see, are most likely to be observed. Severe cold and frost bring in their train the wild swan, which may usually then be found in its usual haunts.

Herds of wild swans are to be observed and tracked between October and March, later only in long winters, such as that of 1887. As the biggest winged game sportsmen in the British Isles now can shoot—as the great bustard is extinct—for that reason wild swans are fairly principle the greatest prize the young sportsman can have. Though the swan is not an ideal table bird, its scarcity and its size make it in request as a bird of sport whenever a herd is within reach.

As wild swans are not to be met with everywhere, that is an additional reason for the quest, for the rare or unobtainable is always sought more assiduously than the common or the commonplace.

It requires, moreover, considerable knowledge of the chief haunts of wild-fowl to locate wild swans. There is, too, that irresistible charm about the wild surrounding that wild swans "generally haunt that never ceases to attract the keenest type of shooting man. And then, of course, very great skill is required in stalking or tracking a herd of swans, which further adds to the interest of the quest. There is much, too, to be said on behalf of the art of shooting swans—an art which demands a good deal of experience and fine marksmanship."

## Noted Haunts of the Wild Swan.

It may still be said that in order to obtain the best wild swan shooting one cannot do better than go to Ireland. Next to the west and northern parts of Ireland, the best region undoubtedly is the west coast of Scotland and the islands, where they are often in large herds. In point of fact, herds of whoopers can sometimes be seen numbering hundreds or even thousands off the west coast. Bewick's swan is not usually so abundant in Scotland as in Ireland, but large herds of both can be stalked. Other noted haunts in Scotland are the Solway Firth, which is, moreover, a paradise for wildfowl of all descriptions. The Orkneys, Shetlands, and the shores of Ross, Cromarty, and Sutherland afford welcome havens for wild swans, with the Firths of Dornoch, Cromarty, and Moray in the same district.

Nor do wild swans entirely despise some of the inland lochs, as in Perthshire and Fife, or the big estuaries of the Tay, Forth, and Clyde. All along the east coast, also southward from the Border, herds of twenty or more swans are greatly in evidence.

On the South Coast there are always some swans to be seen, if they are only stragglers from the swannery at Abbotsbury, for occasionally the semi-domesticated mute swan becomes feral. But Poole Harbour and Southampton Water, and other adjoining haunts, if not as good as formerly, are usually productive of some sport.

Along the West Coast occasional herds are to be seen, and off the Welsh Coast there are usually each season some chances of bagging swans in the Swansea area, Milford Haven, Merioneth, Dee Marshes, as well as the estuaries of the Ribble and Mersey, and in Morecambe Bay. Moreover, also in inland haunts where wild-duck and wild-geese resort in rough weather some wild swans will come yearly.

But the keen sportsman must be ever on the alert for the fleeting chances of stalking the birds that come and go will be lost.

All the British wild swans are white in plumage, but they can be distinguished by the colouring of the bill. In the mute swan there is a swollen black knob above the orange border. The position of the black and yellow or orange is reversed in the whooper and Bewick's swan. There is also a difference in the extent and shape of the orange patch in the case of the latter, so that they can be distinguished in this way. It is hardly possible to do so on the wing, but only when the bird has been flushed. The whooper makes a trumpet-like noise, though called the whistling swan sometimes. The swan named after the great bird artist, Bewick, has a more musical note, which resembles a bark.

"Back of material prosperity and intellectual growth are spiritual ideas."—Senator Watson.

## LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

## OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, AUGUST 12, 1926, 10.30 a.m.

Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association.	Estate Brokers' Share & Real Society.
T.T. on London .....	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
T.T. on Shanghai .....	77 1/2	77 1/2	nom.
Hongkong Bank .....	1100b 1107 1/2	1100 b	1105 b
Chartered Bank .....	£123 n (sa)	£202 1/2 n	£125 n
Mercantile Bank, A. & B. .....	£202 1/2 n	£202 1/2 n	—
do. C. .....	£113 1/2 n	£113 1/2 n	—
P. & O. Bank .....	£204 b	£10 b	—
Bank of East Asia .....	£84 b	£84 b	£84 b
Marine Insurance .....	—	—	—
Canton Insurance .....	630 s	640 s	£640 s
China Underwriters .....	1.80 b	1.90 b	1.90 s
North China Insurance .....	T145 n	T140 n	—
Union Insurance .....	280 s	290 s	£287 s
Yangtze Insurance .....	33 b	40 n	—
Fire Insurance .....	—	—	—
China Fire Insurance .....	200 b	210 b	—
E.K. Fire Insurance .....	620 n	625 b	620 b
Shipping .....	—	—	—
Douglases .....	25 b	25 1/2 b	25 b
Hongkong Steamboats .....	26 1/2 n	26 1/2 n	26 1/2 n
H.K. Tugs & Lighters .....	1 1/2 n	2 b	2 1/2 n
Indo-China (Pref.) .....	30 n	30 n	30 n
do. (Def.) Ltd. .....	40 n	40 n	40 n
Oriental Navigation .....	—	40 n	—
Shell Transport .....	88 n	92 1/2 n	90 1/2 n
Star Ferries .....	67 s	64 b 65 s	£65 1/2 s
Water-works .....	15 1/2 n	15 s	14 s
Refineries .....	—	—	—
China Sugars .....	24 s	24 1/2 s	24 s
Malabon Sugars .....	36 b	37 b	35 n
Mining .....	—	—	—
Benguet .....	1 1/2 n	—	—
Kallian Mining Ad. .....	40 n	42 1/2 n	47 1/2 n
Langkats (Combined) .....	23 b	T73 b	T73 b
do. (Single) .....	12 1/2 n	12 n	—
Shanghai Exploration .....	5 1/2 n	5 n	—
Shanghai Loan .....	7 n	6 1/2 n	—
Raub .....	3 1/2 n	5 s	5 n
Troch Mines .....	67 1/2 b	64 1/2 b	—
Ural Caspians .....	8 1/2 n	—	—
Docks, Wharves .....	—	—	—
Godowns, &c. .....	—	—	—
H.K. & K. Wharves .....	\$120 n	110 s	\$120 s
H.K. & W. Docks .....	54 b	54 1/2 b	54 1/2 b
Hongkong .....	T171 b	170 b	170 b
New Engineering .....	5.00 b	T5.00 b	5.00 b
Shanghai Docks .....	108 b	109 b	108 b
Land, Hotels & Bldgs. .....	—	—	—
H.K. & S. Hotels (old) .....	103 1/2 n	103 1/2 s	103 1/2 b
do. (new) .....	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands .....	61 1/2 n	60 b 61 s	62 s
H.K. Realty .....	7 1/2 b 8 s	7 1/2 s	7 1/2 s
H.K. Territorial .....	5 n	4 s	4 s
Fumphyre Estates .....	13 1/2 n	13 1/2 b 14 s	13 1/2 b
Princes Building .....	90 n	90 s	—
Rural Lands .....	1 1/2 b	—	—
Cotton Mills .....	—	—	—
Ewo Cottons .....	9 n	T9 b	T9 b
Oriental .....	2 1/2 b	2 1/2 b	2 1/2 b
Shanghai Cottons (old) .....	52 b	53 b	52 b
do. (new) .....	27 b	28 b	26 b
Miscellaneous .....	—	—	—
Canton Ice .....	\$7 1/2 n	\$5 s	\$7 n
Cements (comb.) .....	13 1/2 n	14 1/2 n	12 s
do. (old) .....	12 n	13 n	10 s
do. (new) .....	14 n	2 1/2 n	2 s
China Buses .....	10 1/2 b	19 b 19 1/2 s	19 s
China Lights (comb.) .....	10 n	14 1/2 s	14 s
do. (old) .....	11 n	10 n	10 s
China Brov. (comb.) .....	—	—	—
do. (old) .....	5.30 b	5.40 b	5.40 b
do. (new) .....	—	—	—
Dairy Farms .....	16 1/2 n	16 n	16 b
L'v A Wing (full pd.) .....	6 s	8 s	—
do. (part pd.) .....	—	—	—
Hongkong Amusements .....	11 1/2 n	10 1/2 b x d	—
H.K. Constructions .....	24 n	3 s	—
Hongkong Electric .....	65 s	64 s	64 1/2 s 64 1/2 sa
H.K. Developments .....	15 cts s	5 cts s	—
H.K. Ropes (comb.) .....	26 s	—	30 n
do. (old) .....	10 s	10 n	10 n
do. (new) .....	5 s	5 n	5 n
Hongkong Tramways .....	24 1/2 n	24 b 24 1/2 s	24 1/2 s
Lane, Crawfords .....	8 1/2 n	8 1/2 s	8 1/2 s
Macao Electric .....	35 n	—	—
Mackintosh .....	10 1/2 n	—	—
Nanyang Tobacco .....	—	13 n	17 b
Peak Trams (old) .....	16 1/2 b	17 1/2 b	17 b
do. (new) .....	7.60 n	8 n	7 1/2 s
Sinceres .....	11 n	9 1/2 b	9 1/2 b
Singapore Trams .....	10 1/2 b 12 s	11 1/2 b	—
Taxis .....	3 s	3 s	2 s
United Asbestos .....	20 n	—	—
do. (Founders) .....	—	600 n	—
do. (Ordinary) .....	—	18 n	—
Watsons (old) .....	13 1/2 n	13 1/2 b	13 1/2 b



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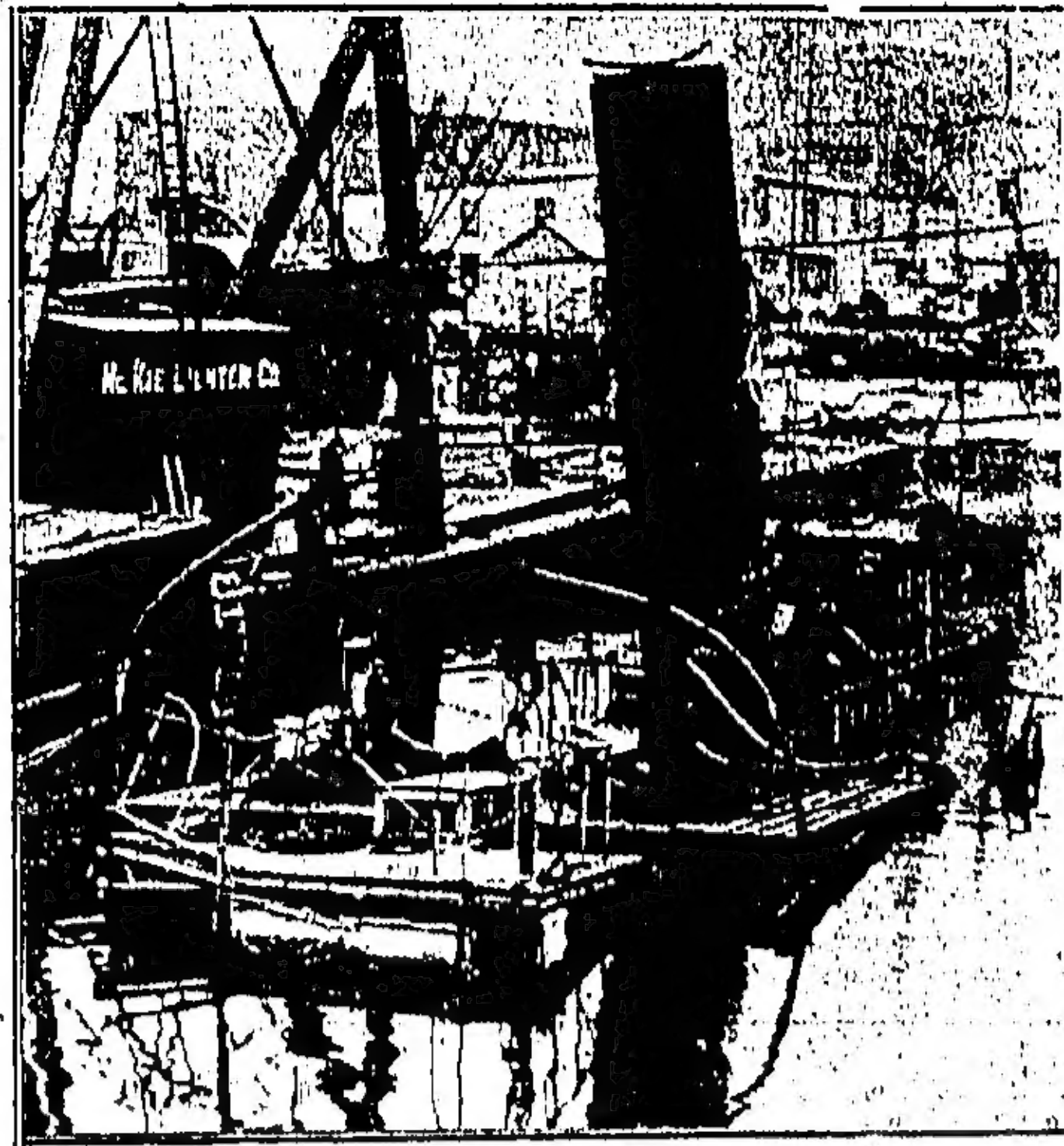
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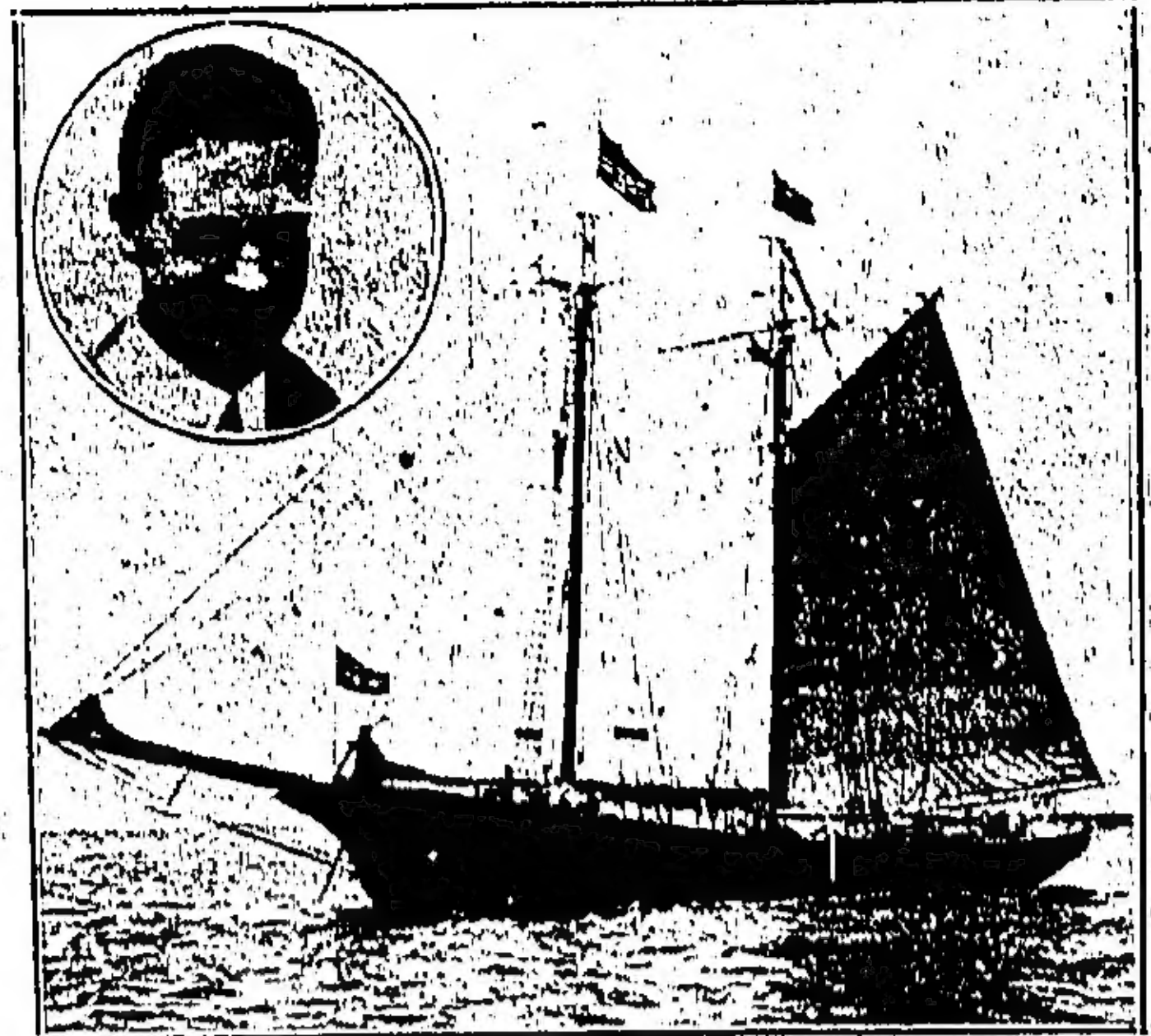
TELEPHONE CENTRAL 22.



The steam trawler "Walrus" sank off Federal Wharf, East Boston, without warning, but without loss of life. Three lighters attempted to lift the ship.



Professor Alexander Melikoff, who attracted attention by his dispute with the faculty whilst President of Amherst College, was married to Helen Everett, daughter of a Brown University Professor, at Boston. Melikoff is now Professor at Wisconsin University.



Mr. Robert E. Peary (inset), son of the discoverer of the North Pole, sailed as engineer of the schooner "Morrissey," which has been sent on a tour of discovery in the Arctic.



Ezra Meeker, who is 95 years old, rode in a covered wagon behind a team of oxen to Oregon 14 years ago. He recently called on President Coolidge to urge him to sign the bill authorizing the marking of the old Oregon Trail.



Sergeant Henry E. "Hallowell," oldest member of the Marine Corps, 87 years old, has been in the service 64 years. The Sergeant has been married three times, and has eight children living.



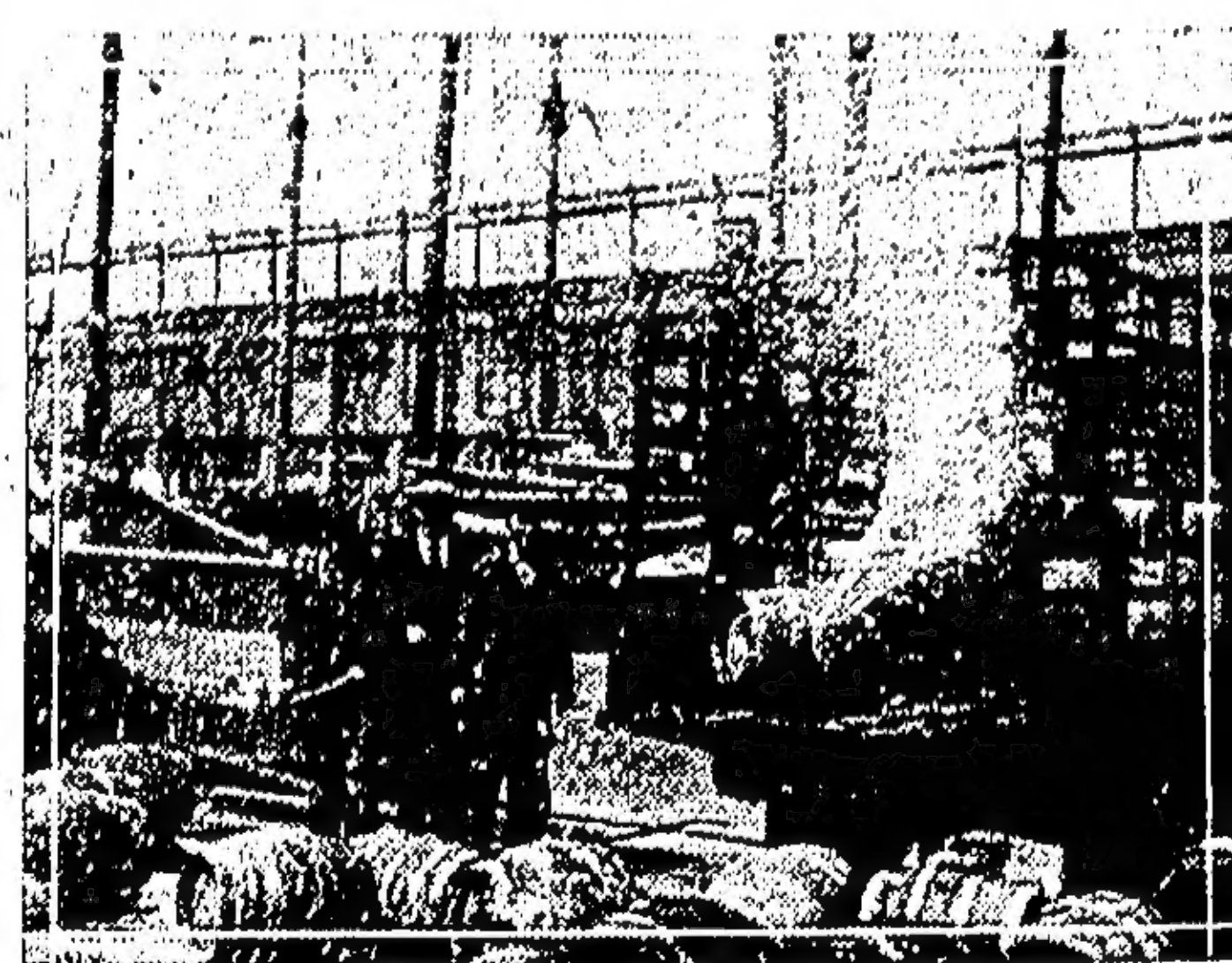
Vincent De Blasio (14) has been awarded the 1926 "Philadelphia Boy Award" as the youngster deemed most worthy of being honored by the city this year. In spite of the fact that he lost both hands four years ago, he has not been discouraged by his handicap. He has learned to write and also to handle tools, winning a prize for a taboret he built at the recent fair at which boys' work was exhibited.



Miss Elizabeth Sutherland, beautiful daughter of ex-Senator Howard Sutherland, of West Virginia, now Alien Property Custodian, is reported engaged to "Bucky" Harris, manager of the American League Washington team.



Mr. and Mrs. David K. E. Bruce, who were married on May 29 in Washington. Mrs. Bruce was Miss Ailsa Mellon, daughter of the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Andrew Mellon, and is reputed to be the wealthiest heiress in the world. Mr. Bruce is a son of Senator Bruce of Maryland.



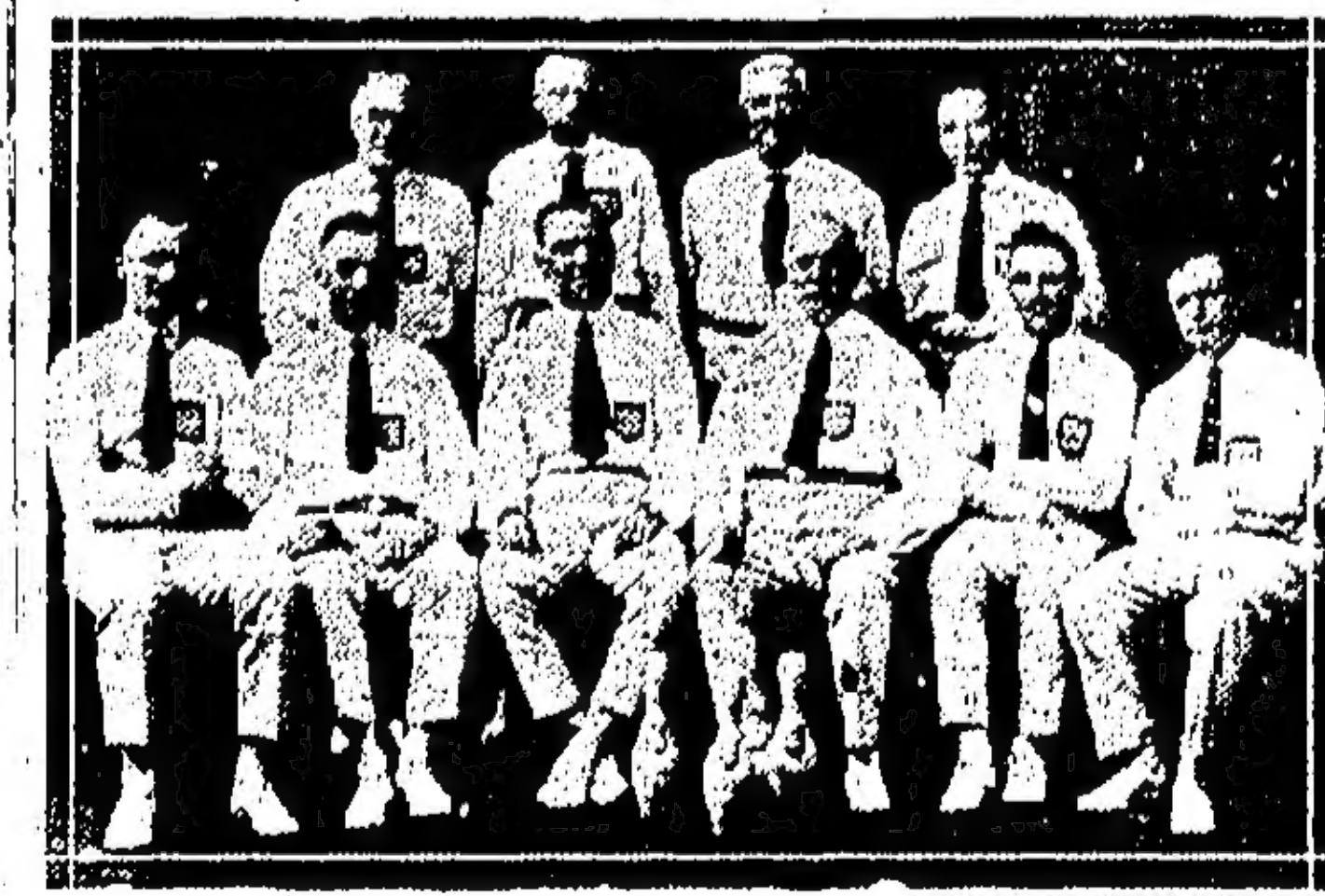
A cask of real pre-war beer spouting 4 per cent. high in the air after being bronched at the Army warehouse, pier in Brooklyn. A million dollars' worth of liquor, including beer, champagne, whiskey, etc., that has been confiscated by Federal agents, was destroyed at the Army base.



Because of her unusual ability to remember faces, Pauline Hout, caused the arrest of a man in New York. She identified a man as having purchased a postcard from her some time ago, and the police held him on charges of subsequently robbing the store.



Harry Houdini, known as the handcuff king, and nemesis of spiritualist frauds, created a sensation when he appeared before a Congressional Committee, demonstrating publicly "spirit" slate writing, during which he "produced" a written message from Benjamin Franklin to Congresswoman Florence P. Kahn of California. During the hearings it was rumored that even the White House was not free from seances. The photo shows Houdini demonstrating the slate writing before the Committee.



These American bowlers, all veterans and experts, represented the United States in the great bowling tournament in Stockholm, Sweden, on June 2, 3 and 5, for the United Bowling Clubs Perpetual Cup.

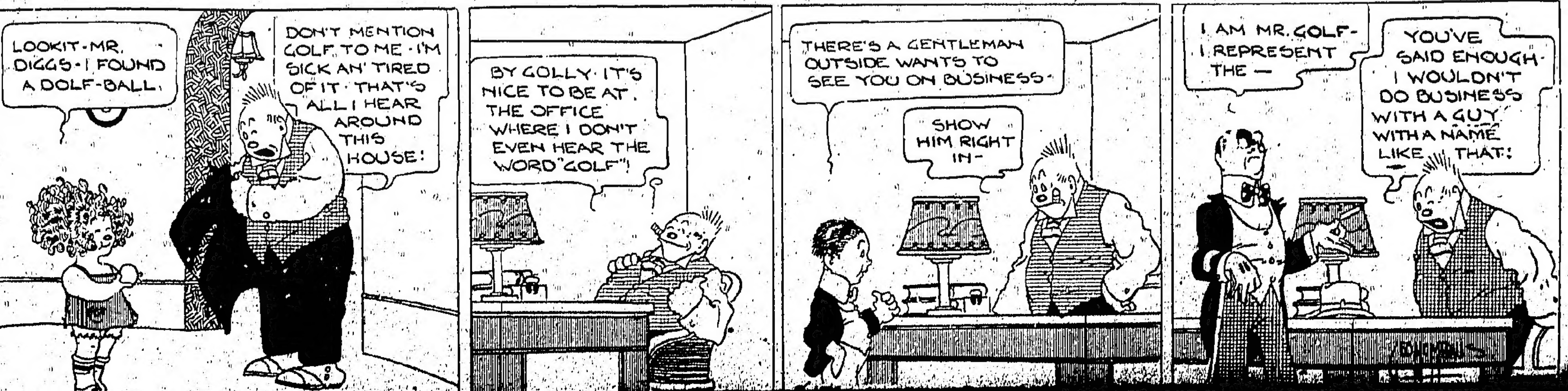
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## MARINE INSURANCE.

NOT ASSOCIATED WITH POLICY CONDITIONS.

## THE NEW CLAUSE.

The new "Assignment Clause," as it is almost certain to be known, the first announcement of which appeared in "Journal of Commerce," deals with an aspect of marine insurance which is not generally associated with policy conditions and clauses. Except in one respect, the question of assignment of interest does not concern the underwriters on a marine policy, and it is not necessary for the consent of the insurer to be obtained before making assignment, unless an express stipulation that it shall be obtained is made in the policy.

This stipulation is generally to be found in the policies of mutual association, but it is rare in the case of policies at Lloyd's or with the companies. Indeed, all that concerns an underwriter so far as assignment is concerned, is that he shall be protected against paying claims and returns to the wrong party, and it appears that the new clause is designed "exactly to cover this point."

## The Result of Loose Wording.

As has already been stated, the Marine Insurance Act allows assignment to be made by endorsement or other customary method, and this somewhat loose wording has led to certain practices which have nothing to recommend them. For instance, it has been known that a kind of endorsement has been made on a bill to the effect that underwriters note that a stated party is interested in the insurance, and that losses and returns are to be paid to that party. Under the new clause this form of assignment would be entirely invalid, although as the Clauses and Technical Committee have indicated in their recommendation that underwriters should not "note" or "agree" endorsements of assignment, underwriters might seriously prejudice their legal position by putting their initials on such notifications.

Then, again, the concluding portion of the clause, which stipulates that nothing in the clause shall have effect as an agreement by the assignor to a sale or transfer to new management, is necessary, so as to protect their rights under clause 7 of the Institute Time clauses, by which they reserve the right to cancel a policy when the insured vessel is sold or transferred to new management, subject, of course, to certain safeguards which keep the vessel covered until she has completed the adventure on which she may be engaged at the time of sale or transfer. It is to be noted that the clause applied only to insurances covering "Shipowners' Interests," and it is obvious that it would not be practically were it applied to cargo insurance, where the policy is a negotiable document which may, and generally does, pass with the sale or transfer of the insured interest.

## Actual Effect of New Clause.

As for the actual effect of the new clause, it is to make the policy itself, and nothing but the policy, the instrument by which assignment can be made, so far as the underwriters are concerned. Of course, if the original assignor makes assignment other than by the method stipulated in the clause, that assignment may stand good in law as between assignor and assignee, but as between assured and insurer, an irregular assignment does not exist, and in such circumstances it would be necessary for the original assured to collect any claim or return that may become due, and then, under his assignment, to pay the money received to the assignee.

Several other interesting points arise out of the adoption of the new clause, as, for instance, the question of what constitutes a legal assignment. In the earlier editions of "Arnould" it was stated that the mere delivery of a policy with intention to assign was a valid assignment, but the editors of the last edition qualify this opinion by stating that it is their belief that the mere delivery of the policy is not now a customary mode of assignment, although it is possible that the policy may be handed over without endorsement with other shipping documents.

## Contemplated Action Desirable.

In the view of the present writer, this latter opinion appears to apply more to cargo insurance than to the insurance of shipowners' interests, but it is interesting to note that in the authority quoted no distinction in this respect is made.

In conclusion, it may be said that it is believed that it is the intention of the Institute of London Underwriters to include the new clause in the "Institute Time Clauses," and other Institute clauses dealing with the insurance of hulls and hull interests, and that although this will add yet another lengthy clause to a formula which is already of considerable length, there can be no doubt that the contemplated action is desirable in view of the importance of the principle involved.

## SMOKING.

INFLUENCE ON MENTAL AND PHYSICAL FITNESS.

## "INTELLIGENCE TESTS."

Quite a surprising amount of attention at present is being devoted by research workers, both in America and in Germany, to the influence of tobacco on mental and physical fitness. For the purpose of determining the effects on health of the various forms of smoking most elaborate "intelligence tests" are being employed, and, further, efforts have been made recently to discover the relative number of scholarships won by smokers and non-smokers.

It cannot be said that any very considerable result has attended this labour, though the statement has been made that, on the whole, non-smokers pass the intelligence tests with greater credit than their less abstemious companions. Nor have the researches in the physical field which have been carried out side by side with those in the mental field led to more decisive findings. There is a widespread idea that smoking in any form is detrimental to the athlete in training. Cases, however, have come to light during the research work in America which show that this opinion is not always correct.

## Effects on Muscular Effort.

In some instances, at any rate, tobacco exercises little, if any, effect on those preparing for extreme forms of muscular effort. Thus Dr. Rosslyn Earp, who carried out a series of studies of the differences between smokers and non-smokers at Antioch College, Ohio, found that of 177 smokers, twenty-one had obtained college "letters" or colours, while of 176 non-smokers the same number had been similarly successful. Among the non-smokers fifty-six got "letters" at school, whereas seventy-four of the smokers were favoured in this respect. "As the 'Lancet' observes, in commenting on this research, 'by this criterion the non-smokers show no athletic superiority.'"

## Medical Views.

The case against smoking, in short, is a poor one, so far as it is based on medical considerations. Recently Sir Humphry Rolleston, in the course of a lecture on "The Medical Aspects of Tobacco," called attention to the comparative rarity of undoubted lesions due to smoking, and, further, offered the suggestion that the injurious effects of excessive smoking "are materially" augmented, by, if not in part due to, simultaneous alcoholism."

Sir Humphry declared that, though tobacco had dropped out of the British Pharmacopoeia, it certainly had its uses, especially as a sedative. It might act "as a charm for the fidgets." On this ground smoking would seem to deserve inclusion among the agencies of civilisation.

## Unfulfilled Calamities!

In any case, it is certain that the calamities which from time to time have been foretold as a consequence of addiction to pipes, cigars, or cigarettes have not often occurred. Nor have the warnings uttered by physicians in the past, against smoking by women found any evident fulfilment. There is nothing easier than to ascribe a breakdown in health to "cigarettes" or smoking in general.

But, as now appears, the collection of trustworthy evidence in support of such a view is fraught with very great difficulty. Indeed it may well be, as has recently been suggested, that persons of nervous disposition and unfit persons take to smoking as a means of relief and, finding relief, consume larger quantities of tobacco than their healthier neighbours.

## HOT WEATHER DIET.

Mistakes Many People Make.

Many people lose their appetite at this time of year, and from this draw conclusions that they are not medically sound. Some say that in summer the body does not require so many meals; but that is wrong.

Certainly the body does not require as many energy-giving elements, and cannot find these in the unwholesome meals usually partaken of with the idea of "keeping cool." Then the common mistake of taking too many cold "gassy" drinks also sets up trouble. They distend the stomach, and dilute its digestive juices; exhaustion, lassitude, lack of appetite and indigestion follow. Your stomach needs a new blood summer and winter, and the best method of securing it is by taking Dr. Williams' pink pills. These pills combat the poisons in the blood, and create new, rich blood. By this natural process you remedy your debility, the system being toned up, the digestive organs strengthened and the overworked nerves invigorated. So lose no time, but begin to-day to take Dr. Williams' pink pills, and see how soon you feel the benefit. Of all chemists or post free, \$1.50 per bottle, \$8 for six bottles, from the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., 60 Kingston Road, Shanghai. Nothing else is just as good.

## ELECTRICITY BILL.

IMPOSES A BURDEN ON THE USER.

## SAY EXPERTS.

The discussion of the Electricity Bill in Committee has now begun, and during its progress its critics will doubtless define their objections in detail and submit amendments. Its promoters will also have the opportunity of explaining more exactly than is conveyed in the terms of the Bill, how its various provisions are expected to work, and the perspective in which they are intended to be viewed. Already, for example, the Attorney-General has made clear the fundamental importance that is attached to the Central Electricity Board's function of supplying current. The power that the Bill gives the Board to delegate this function to other bodies is, it is true, now proposed to be limited to authorised undertakers; but as these include joint electrical authorities, power companies, municipalities, and distributing companies, the restriction is not very material for practical purposes.

Outside the Parliamentary Committee, however, a considerable and weighty volume of expert opinion has been maintained on behalf of the existing power companies the objections that are felt to the Bill as it stands at present. In a joint letter signed by representatives of these bodies both on the administrative and the engineering sides, of whose eminence and experience there can be no question, what is summed up in a general feeling is summed up in firm and moderate terms.

Writers, while not opposed in principle to standardisation and interconnection, "are satisfied that the cost of a general standardisation of frequency has been seriously underestimated by the technical advisers of the Government, and could not be borne by the electricity supply industry without imposing a burden upon the users of electricity." The provisions of the Bill would hinder the economic development of electricity supply. The dual control it sets up would diminish efficiency by interfering needlessly with responsible management. It introduces further bureaucratic administration without financial responsibility. It discourages enterprise by importing terms of compulsory expropriation that are unfair to investors, and endangers their prospect of earning a fair return on capital.

These statements relate mostly to matters of opinion, backed doubtless by authority that must command respectful attention; but contradicted by such opinion as is embodied in the Weir report, and whatever other advice the Government has taken before framing its Bill. In the "English Review" for last month, however, one of the signatories to this letter, Mr. W. B. Woodhouse, the engineer and manager of the Yorkshire Electric Power Company, has contributed a short article on the same subject in rather more detail. In general terms he represents the Central Electricity Board as in effect the executive officials of the Electricity Commissioners, authorised both to supply electricity in the whole of the country and to control in detail the working of the principal stations and authorised suppliers, with whom in some cases they compete. The capital required for their initial operations, 33,500,000l., is to be guaranteed by the Treasury, and their expenses, over which neither Parliament nor the industry is to have any control, together with any losses on their trading, are to be charged to the electrical industry. The State trading and the dual control of commercial undertakings, together with the compulsory expropriation and interference with private enterprise that the scheme involves are prima facie objections, which suggest the question whether they are necessary to the purpose of extending the use of electricity by reducing its cost.—Engineering.

## SUN'S PHASES.

Calendar for August.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hongkong for August, 1926. (Standard Time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich).

Date.	Sunrise a.m.	Sunset p.m.
August 12	5.59	6.58
13	5.59	6.57
14	5.59	6.56
15	5.59	6.55
16	6.00	6.54
17	6.01	6.54
18	6.01	6.53
19	6.02	6.52
20	6.02	6.52
21	6.02	6.51
22	6.03	6.50
23	6.03	6.49
24	6.03	6.48
25	6.03	6.47
26	6.04	6.46
27	6.04	6.45
28	6.04	6.44
29	6.04	6.43
30	6.05	6.43
31	6.05	6.42

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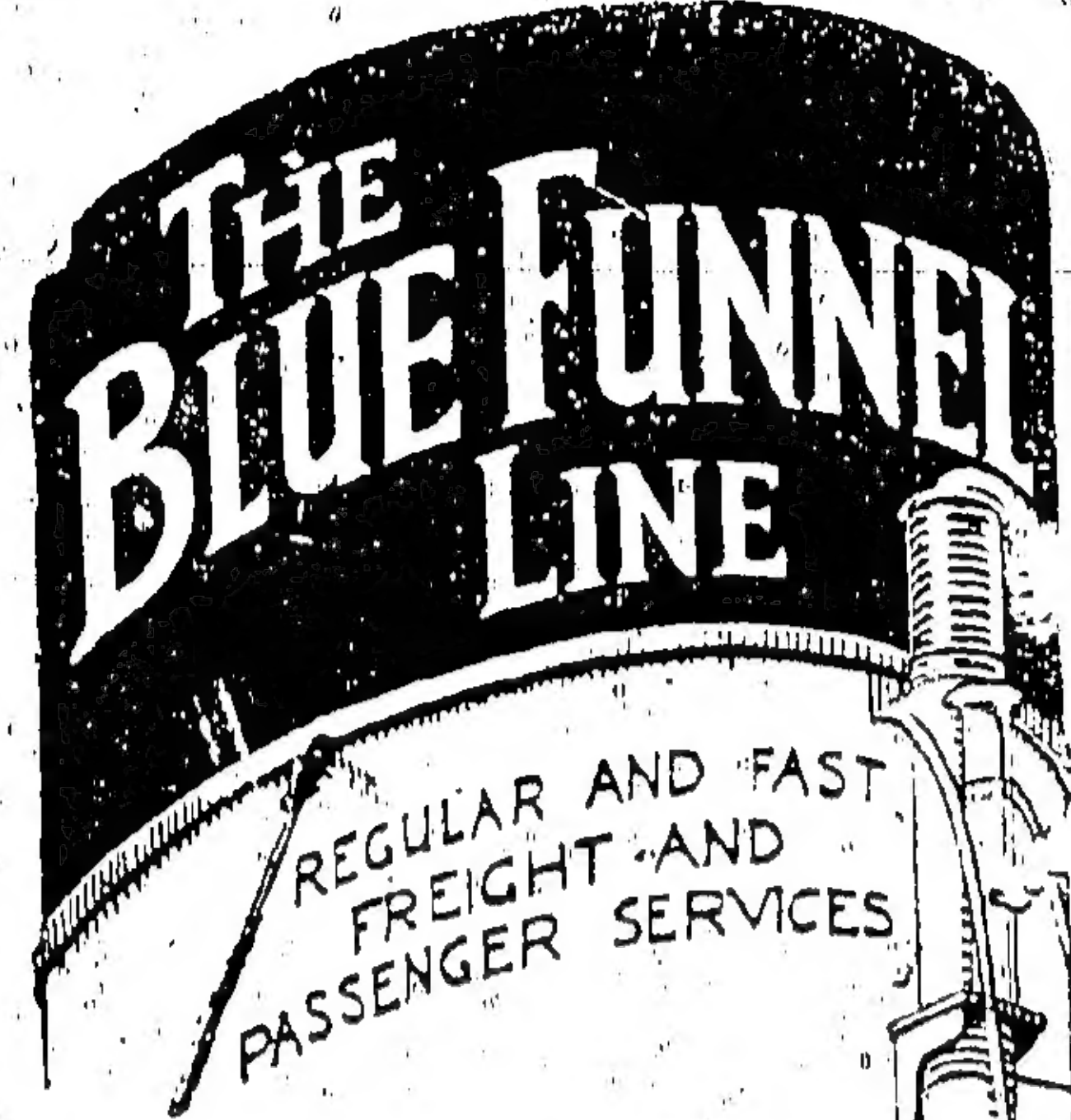
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FROM	THURSDAY, AUGUST 12.	FRIDAY, AUGUST 13.	SATURDAY, AUGUST 14.	SUNDAY, AUGUST 15.	MONDAY, AUGUST 16.	TUESDAY, AUGUST 17.	WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18.
Shanghai	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Amoy	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Manila	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
EUROPE via Nipponkai (letters) papers only	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Japan	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Straits	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Manila	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Batavia	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Shanghai	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
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Manila	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30

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Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & Europe	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
via Marseilles—due Marseilles	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
11th Sept. Registration 4.15 p.m.	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Letters 5 p.m.	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Shanghai	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Batavia	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
due Marseilles 13th Sept. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 8th Sept. & Europe via Siberia (letters & postcards specially impregnated "Via Siberia" only). Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Haiphong	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Straits and Celestia (Parcels & Letters 5 p.m.)	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Amoy	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Manila	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Shanghai	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
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Shanghai	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Manila	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 20th Aug. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30
Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 20th Aug. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30	12.30

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## COAL CRISIS.

### MOVEMENT FOR DISTRICT SETTLEMENTS.

#### A FRESH IMPETUS.

Rugby, August 11.  
The rejection of the proposals of the Industrial Christian Fellowship for a settlement of the coal dispute has resulted in increased interest being taken in the movement for settlements by districts as distinct from a national settlement.  
It is stated that a joint meeting called by the owners of the Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire pits to consider new terms of employment has been summoned at the request of the miners in that area, and the fact that the result of the district voting has temporarily robbed the Miners' Executive of a positive policy to end the dispute will, it is suggested, give an impetus to local settlements.

#### For Rank and File.

The Secretary of the Miners' Federation, Mr. A. J. Cook, however, does not believe that the remarkable solidarity of the miners during the past fourteen weeks has suffered. He anticipates that at Monday's delegate conference, when the result of the voting will be made known, the miners will frankly accept their responsibilities and with their leaders will review the whole position. The issue, he says, is now one for rank and file.

#### Voting Methods Criticised.

There has been much criticism of the manner in which the vote of the miners was taken. With the exception of Derbyshire, where there was a ballot, the decision was made at district lodges or mass meetings, some of which were but sparsely attended. The decision reached by a majority in a lodge carried with it the whole voting strength of that district, and it is suggested that a vote taken by such means does not adequately reflect the opinion of the miners generally.

#### Clerics' Efforts.

A statement issued this evening on behalf of the Industrial Christian Fellowship states that the standing conference of Anglicans and Free Church men has resolved to continue its efforts to promote a just settlement of the coal dispute. It is stated that the relations between the Miners' Federation and the group of Church leaders remain very cordial.—British Wireless Service.

#### Employers Invite Men To Conference.

London, August 11.  
A definite step toward resumption have been taken by the coal owners of Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire, who are inviting the Derbyshire Miners' Association to a joint meeting with a view to endeavour to reach a settlement.—Reuter.

#### Dutch Coal.

Rotterdam, August 11.  
The harbour was completely "sold out" at the beginning of the week in consequence of 167 vessels occupying anchorage. The majority came in bunker or to fetch coal cargoes. New arrivals are held up outside the New Waterway and will have to enter in turn.—Reuter.

#### Fires in Many Pits.

London, August 11.  
The colliery owners in South Yorkshire are experiencing serious trouble through the overheating of pits owing to the small number of safety men permitted to work, and gas fires have broken out in many pits.  
The situation was so serious at the Bentley Colliery, near Doncaster, that 600 extra safety men were permitted to work.  
The miners declined to permit extra safety men at the Broadworth Colliery, where there is excessive heating, although the leaders assented.—Reuter.

## COBHAM'S FLIGHT.

Sydney, August 11.  
Cobham has arrived here.—Reuter.  
Start Again On Sunday.  
Rugby, August 11.  
Mr. Alan Cobham, after spending the night at Charleville, flew to Sydney to-day. He will probably stay there for the remainder of the week, and will undertake the final stage of his London to Melbourne flight on Sunday.—British Wireless Service.

## BRITISH TRADE.

### EFFECT OF THE COAL STOPPAGE.

#### ADVERSE BALANCE.

Rugby, August 11.  
The preliminary trade figures for the month of July, which have a special interest in view of the coal stoppage, show that the total imports were £100,294,000, compared with £97,504,000 in the previous month and £98,744,000 in July of last year.  
The total exports for the month were £57,264,000 compared with £51,107,000 in June and £54,826,000 in July of last year.  
The total re-exports were £29,500,000 compared with £10,755,000 in June, 1926, and £13,376,000 in July last year.—British Wireless Service.

#### The figures for this year are as under:—

Jan.	£117,688,000	£60,380,000
Feb.	96,845,000	62,814,000
March	106,864,000	66,399,000
April	102,492,000	62,748,000
May	81,190,000	45,764,000
June	97,504,000	51,107,000
July	100,291,000	57,264,000

## MODERN SCIENCE.

### WHAT NEW EXPERIMENTS MAY LEAD TO.

London, August 11.  
What is described as probably the most sensational paper for years at a meeting of the British Association has been given by Mr. J. J. Manly, describing complex experiments suggesting the existence of a combination between helium and mercury to form a helide of mercury. He declared that Professor Soddy, who was interested in his work, had suggested the methods whereby experiments might be carried to a conclusive issue.  
Professor Thorpe, president of the section, expressed the hope that by next year's meeting, the first known combination of helium with another element would be demonstrated.—Reuter.

## SUNK SUBMARINE.

### BODIES OF THE VICTIMS LOCATED.

London, August 11.  
The Salvage Corps have located the bodies of the missing men on submarine H29 which was sunk at Devonport.—Reuter.

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